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1914	1-16-47	HQ TT NY	1	1	
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1925	1-8-47	Tamm memo DIR	1	1	
1926	1-7-47	Tamm memo DIR	1	1	
1927	1-13-47	Tamm memo DIR	1	1	
1927	1-8-47	Jones memo Strickland fond	1/1	1/1	
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1933	1-22-47	Tamm memo Dir	2	2	
1934	1-28-47	Dir memo Tolson	2	2	
1935	1-15-47	CI Ltr NO /encl	1/2	1/2	
1936	1-16-47	NO Ltr NY	2	2	b7c
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STD. FORM NO. 10

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 1-10-47

FROM : MR. EDW. A. TAMM

SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahan
Miss Gandy

For record purposes, it should be noted that Mr. Gus Vanech telephoned me on January 9th and referred to the Bureau's investigation of the Gregory Case. He stated that Mr. Peyton Ford had contacted him by telephone to determine from Mr. Vanech how the FBI knew that Departmental officials were telephoning various government departments to determine whether subjects in the Gregory case were still employed by those departments.

By way of background, you will recall that the Bureau had learned that Mr. Peyton Ford, and apparently others in the Department, were telephoning the various government departments to determine whether the subjects in the Gregory case were still employed in those departments. It appears that Mr. Peyton Ford had sent to Mr. Vanech's office a list of a dozen or so names and had asked Mr. Vanech's secretary to telephone the indicated departments on Mr. Vanech's "confidential" telephone. Mr. Vanech's secretary had made these calls.

Mr. Ford advised Mr. Vanech of his belief that the FBI had tapped Mr. Vanech's confidential telephone and, consequently, knew of these calls through its telephone tap. I told Mr. Vanech first of all that, of course, this was preposterous and that the Bureau most certainly would not tap the telephone of any Departmental official. I told Mr. Vanech that he was authorized to tell Mr. Ford that you had talked to him about the Gregory case and had informed him that the Bureau had learned of the telephone calls made by Peyton Ford and other Departmental officials from the Bureau's sources of information within the other departments contacted by telephone. Mr. Vanech was authorized to tell Mr. Ford that the coverage of the subjects in the Gregory case was so thorough and extensive within their own departments that actually it would appear that the subjects themselves knew of these inquiries about their employment and the Bureau had received the information of some of the calls probably a telephone call to the Treasury Department, through its informant coverage in the Gregory case.

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Cc Mr Ladd.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. [redacted]

[redacted] ON MORNING JANUARY TEN, MARCUS GOLDMAN) CONTACTED MARY JANE KENEY INVITING HER TO DINNER SATURDAY AND ADVISING THE GORDON McINTIRES COMING. HE DESCRIBED MRS. McINTIRE AS LIVELY PERSON, AND MR. McINTIRE AS QUIET BUT INTERESTING INDIVIDUAL. MARCUS AND MARY JANE DISCUSSED LETTER WHICH HE HAD APPARENTLY RECEIVED FROM GEORGE AND ELEANOR [illegible]ER IN GERMANY AND RELAYED TO MARY JANE BY MAIL WITH NOTE FROM MARCUS. [illegible]TIONED McINTIRES ARE FRIENDS OF ELEANOR. SAME DATE MARY JANE [illegible]TEMPTED TO LOCATE WILLIAM HINCKLEY ASCERTAINING HE HAD RESIGNED FROM [illegible]ASS APRIL FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY SIX. ON JANUARY TEN, ALIX REUTHER [illegible] MARY JANE. ALIX MENTIONED SHE PLANNED TO SEE MAN NEXT DAY [illegible]ANING THE ORGANIZATION CLOSE TO DAVID WAHL'S HAVING AN OVERSEAS [illegible]E WHICH APPEALED TO ALIX. MARY JANE WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE PROJECT [illegible]CH SHE DESCRIBED AS INTERESTING AND HAVING REAL POSSIBILITIES. THEY DISCUSSED DAVID WAHL AND MARY JANE EXPLAINED SHE, DAVID AND ALIX, AS WELL AS MAX LOVENTHAL, HAD BEEN THROUGH A GREAT DEAL TOGETHER AND MAX AND DAVE WERE BOTH UTTERLY RELIABLE HUNDRED PER CENT PEOPLE. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

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ON SUNDAY NIGHT, JANUARY TWELVE, REFLECTED MARY JANE VISITED WAHL. [redacted]

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[redacted] ON MORNING JANUARY TEN, BOB MILLER CONTACTED ROWENA ROMMEL, STATE DEPARTMENT, MAKING LUNCHEON APPOINTMENT AT PRESS CLUB. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE OF CONTACT MAINTAINED. ON JANUARY TEN, HUGH (SAMPSON ?) CONTACTED ELLEN PERLO AND ENGAGED IN LONG CONVERSATION. SHE INVITED HIM TO PERLO HOME FOLLOWING NIGHT STATING VICTOR WAS HAVING FRIEND AND FELT HUGH AND THIS FRIEND MIGHT GET ALONG WELL. HUGH FAMILIAR WITH PERLO FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE INQUIRED IF VIC WAS STILL AT TREASURY, REMARKING IT WAS UNUSUAL AS NOT MANY PEOPLE WERE STAYING WHERE THEY WERE. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE NIGHT JANUARY ELEVEN DISCLOSED ONE HU, A CHINESE EMPLOYED AT TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WAS GUEST OF PERLO. ON JANUARY ELEVEN ONE MARGO CONTACTED BERNARD NORTMAN INVITING NORTMANS TO VISIT HER FOLKS

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BEFORE THEY LEAVE. SHE FURNISHED ADDRESS FIVE NINE TWO FIVE WILSON LANE, LISTED TO PAUL H. APPLEBY. (e) u ON SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY ELEVEN, ROSENBERGS HAD PARTY. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE DISCLOSED GUESTS INCLUDED MARY JANE KEENEY, SONIA AND BILLY MARCUS, ERNEST ("ERNI") WEISSMAN AND FAY GLASSER. ERNA ROSENBERG LATER INDICATED PARTY WAS FOR FAY SO THEY MADE IT POLITICAL AND SHE LOVED IT OF COURSE. SASULYS WERE SUPPOSED TO COME. HOWEVER, DICK CALLED FROM NEW YORK AND WAS UNABLE TO COME. [redacted]

[redacted] (e) ON NIGHT JANUARY ELEVEN, PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE AT RESIDENCE LEE PRESSMAN DISCLOSED HARRY AND ANNE WHITE AND (e) 4

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MILLOWENTHAL WERE VISITORS. WHITES TOOK LOWENTHALS HOME. CONFIDENTIAL

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE-R. INFORMANT GREGORY LEARNED TODAY FROM IRA NELSON, DESCRIBED IN MY TEL JAN THIRTEENTH INSTANT, THAT HELEN TENNEY APPEARS TO BE RECOVERING FROM SEVERE NERVOUS COLLAPSE SHE SUFFERED LAST SUMMER. NELSON STATED THAT WHEN SHE VISITED TENNEY IN WASHINGTON SUMMER OF FORTY SIX, THE LATTER WAS GREATLY DISTURBED BECAUSE SHE SAID PEOPLE HAD BEEN FOLLOWING HER, THAT HER TELEPHONE WAS TAPPED, HER FRIENDS UNDER SURVEILLANCE AND WAS MUTTER[redacted]ING A RUSSIAN SPY. NELSON ALSO SAW TENNEY SHORT[redacted]ST VISIT WITH TENNEY THIS PAST SUMMER AND SA[redacted] PRIOR TO TENNEYS SCHEDULED SAILING FOR EU[redacted] CO. NOTIFIED HER THAT HER PASSPORT WAS DE[redacted] DAYS LATER TENNEY RECD A LETTER FROM US STATE [redacted] THAT ON BA[redacted] OF INFO RECD FROM PROPER GOVERNMENTAL [redacted] HER PASSPORT WAS BEING REVOKED. WHEN NELSON NEXT SAW TENNEY IN SEPT, [redacted] HYSTERICAL, SAID SHE WAS A SPY AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER [redacted] OVERDOSE OF SECONAL-ARBITOL WHICH WAS REGARDED [redacted] ATTEMPT [redacted] REMOVED TO HOSPITAL, REMAINED UNCO[redacted] FIVE [redacted] DAYS UPON REGAINING CONSCIOUSNESS AND RECENTLY WAS SEEN [redacted] RECOVERING STABILITY. APPEARS TO HAVE VIOLENT PHOB[redacted]

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cc: Mr.

NOW AGAINST EVERYTHING RUSSIAN, EVEN MENTION OF WORD RUSSIAN, AND IS STILL WATCHED CAREFULLY TO PREVENT SUICIDE. NELSON OF OPINION THAT TENNEY IS SUFFERING FROM HALUCINATIONS RE BEING A SPY AND GREGORY HAS IMPRESSION THAT NEITHER CONSULTING PHYSICIAN OF TENNEYS FAMILY ATTACH ANY CREDENCE TO TENNEYS STATEMENTS ALONG THIS LINE. ON DEC TWENTY SECOND LAST, NELSON TOOK TENNEY FROM HOSPITAL FOR THE DAY DURING WHICH TIME TENNEY APPEARED ALMOST NORMAL, ALTHOUGH SHE IS STILL VERY NERVOUS. NELSON MADE APPOINTMENT FOR GREGORY TO MEET TENNEY AND HERSELF AT LONGCHAMPS RESTAURANT, MADISON AVE AND SEVENTY NINTH ST., NYC, AT FOUR THIRTY PM, JAN NINETEENTH NEXT AND STRESSED THAT TENNEY DESIRES TO CONFER PRIVATELY WITH GREGORY. GREGORY VERY APPREHENSIVE ABOUT SUCH MEETING IN VIEW OF TENNEYS REPORTED PROCLIVITY TOWARDS SUICIDE AND PRESENTLY UNDECIDED WHETHER TO KEEP APPOINTMENT. IS BEING ADVISED NOT TO ATTEND SUCH MEETING, UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO CONTRARY, AND NOT TO MEET TENNEY UNTIL MORE INFO CONCERNING LATTERS PRESENT CONDITIONS OBTAINED.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R, REFER FIVE IS. RE WFO TEL JAN NINE, FORTY SEVEN. CI GREGORY ADVISES THAT SHE CONTACTED IRMA NELSON, VERY CLOSE FRIEND OF HELEN TENNEY, WHO STATES TENNEY IS CONFINED AT THE AYNE WHITNEY CLINIC / FOR MENTAL PATIENTS/, FIVE TWO FIVE EAST SIX EIGHT ST., NYC, A UNIT OF NY HOSPITAL. NELSON STATED TENNEY HAS BEEN IN POOR PHYSICAL CONDITION FOR SOMETIME AND RECD QUITE A SHOCK WHEN HER PASSPORT WAS SUDDENLY REVOKED THIS SUMMER. SHE IS SUFFERING FROM A SEVERE PSYCHOSIS. IN ADDITION, TENNEY HAS EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO NELSON TO SEE GREGORY. VISITS MAY BE MADE ON SUNDAYS ONLY AND THIS IS PRESENTLY BEING ARRANGED THROUGH NELSON FOR GREGORY TO SEE TENNEY ON THE NEXT OR FOLLOWING SUNDAY. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE OBTAINED FROM GREGORY RE THIS MEETING AND BUREAU AND WFO ADVISED.

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GREGORY--ESPIONAGE-R--HELEN B. TENNEY--. RE NEW YORK TELETYPES JANUARY THIRTEEN AND FOURTEEN LAST CONCERNING MENTAL CONDITION OF TENNEY AND HER DESIRE TO CONTACT INFORMANT GREGORY AT LONGCHAMPS RESTAURANT, NEW YORK CITY ON JANUARY NINETEEN NEXT. IT IS BELIEVED HIGHLY DESIRABLE THAT GREGORY BE INSTRUCTED TO MEET TENNEY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN FROM HER INFORMATION SHE DESIRES TO DISCLOSE TO GREGORY. POSSIBILITY THAT TENNEY MAY REVEAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING HER SOVIET ACTIVITIES WHICH MAY BE OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO INSTANT AND OTHER RUSSIAN INVESTIGATIONS. SUGGESTED THAT GREGORY SUGGEST TO TENNEY THAT SHE SUBMITTXXX SUBMIT TO A PSYCHOPATHIC ANALYSIS AND IF THIS IS AGREEABLE WITH TENNEY, NEW YORK OFFICE MAY HAVE CONTACTS WITH PSYCHIATRIST WHO WILL COOPERATE IN COVERAGE OF TENNEY-S EXAMINATION. BUREAU SHOULD BE ADVISED IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF MEETING BETWEEN GREGORY AND TENNEY.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: PHILIP OLIN KEENEY arrived San Francisco 12/30/46 and left Fairfield, Calif., on Army Transport Command plane for Tokyo 1/3/47. Surveillance revealed KEENEY in contact with individuals in office of ILWU and PEOPLES WORLD newspaper, also various known Communists and Communist sympathizers in the San Francisco Bay area. Contents of four letters written by KEENEY set out showing additional contacts made by him.

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DETAILS: AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

RE: PHILIP OLIN KEENEY

In accordance with instructions received in the above referenced teletype from Chicago, a surveillance was placed on PHILIP OLIN KEENEY when he arrived in San Francisco December 30, 1946, aboard the City of San Francisco train.

KEENEY was observed to take a taxi from the Ferry Building and go to the office of the PEOPLES WORLD newspaper, 590 Folsom Street.

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Source A advised that [redacted] According to this source, [redacted] (c) b1

~~The files of this office reflect that BLOOMFIELD is a Communist sympathizer who has been employed by the British Information Service.~~

The subject was observed to accompany HARRY SCHAFF by Greyhound Bus to SCHAFF's home at 171 Marguerite Avenue, Mill Valley, California, on the evening of December 30, 1946, where KEENEY spent the night. On the morning of December 31, KEENEY, accompanied by HARRY SCHAFF, drove to San Francisco in SCHAFF's car. Due to conditions beyond the control of surveilling Agents, the surveillance was discontinued en route to San Francisco.

At 12:35 p.m. on December 31, KEENEY was observed to emerge from the offices of the ILWU, 604 Montgomery Street, accompanied by an individual who is believed to have been LINCOLN FAIRLEY, Research Director of the ILWU. They had lunch in a small restaurant near the offices of the ILWU and returned to the offices shortly thereafter. Later in the afternoon, KEENEY was observed to take a cab and taxi to the offices of the PEOPLES WORLD newspaper where he picked up his four pieces of baggage and again returned to the ILWU offices.

At approximately 5:00 p.m., KEENEY, accompanied by SAMUEL GEORGE BLOOMFIELD, emerged from the ILWU offices carrying KEENEY's baggage. They boarded a streetcar and rode to the home of Dr. KALMEN A. KLINGHOFFER, 1472 Filbert Street. It should be pointed out that KLINGHOFFER is known to this office as a member of the Communist Party. At approximately 6:30 p.m., KEENEY, accompanied by BLOOMFIELD and KLINGHOFFER, drove in KLINGHOFFER's car to BLOOMFIELD's home located at 2131 Vallejo Street. At approximately 10:30 p.m., KEENEY, accompanied by BLOOMFIELD and his wife and two individuals believed to be SIDNEY H. BRISKER and ESTELLE BRISKER, entered an automobile registered to SIDNEY BRISKER and drove to the home of BERTRAM EDISES, 80 Alamo, Berkeley, California, where it had been previously learned that a New Year's party was in progress. It should be pointed out that the BRISKERS and the EDISES are known to this office to be members of the Communist Party. At approximately 1:45 a.m. on January 1, 1947, KEENEY, accompanied by the above named individuals, emerged from the home of EDISES and returned to San Francisco where KEENEY was let out of the car at 1472 Filbert Street.

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On January 1, 1947, KEENEY was observed to travel by bus and street car to 2646 Russell Street, Berkeley, California, where he remained until approximately 6:00 p.m. The files of this office reflect that this is the address of HELEN and MIRIAM KEENEY, both of whom were previously employed in the office of the District Postal Censor, San Francisco. HELEN KEENEY is reported to have been born June 1, 1892, and MIRIAM was born October 31, 1897. It is possible that these two individuals are sisters of KEENEY.

When KEENEY left 2646 Russell Street, Berkeley, he was observed to return to San Francisco and take a taxi to 1403 Montgomery Street. The files of this office reflect that SANDRA NELSON, at present employed by the ILWU, resides at this address. It will be noted below that in a letter to his wife KEENEY mentions visiting SANDRA at her home located on Montgomery Street. KEENEY was observed to emerge from 1403-A Montgomery Street at approximately 10:00 p.m. and taxi to 1472 Filbert Street.

On January 2, 1947, KEENEY met HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY and MYRTLE NEWMAN in the lobby of the St. Francis Hotel, after which they entered EDDY's car and drove to the ATC Suisun Air Base, Fairfield, California, where KEENEY was certified by the ATC for his flight to Tokyo. At approximately 4:30 p.m., KEENEY, accompanied by EDDY and NEWMAN, drove from Fairfield, California, to Berkeley, California, where KEENEY was let out of the car at 2646 Russell Street. It should be noted that HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY is the subject of an internal security (C) file in this office. MYRTLE NEWMAN is known to be EDDY's sister. KEENEY was observed to depart from 2646 Russell Street, Berkeley, at approximately 10:00 p.m., returning to 1472 Filbert Street, San Francisco, at approximately 11:00 p.m.

On January 3, 1947, KEENEY was observed in the company of SAM BLOOMFIELD and Dr. KLINGHOFFER. At 3:20 p.m., KEENEY left by bus for Fairfield, California. At 6:30 p.m. he was observed to depart on Flight 81 from the Suisun Air Base in an ATC plane. Surveilling Agents reported that KEENEY was the only civilian observed to board the plane.

(b)(1) [Source B has furnished] this office with a photostatic copy of a letter addressed to HARRIET G. EDDY, 868 Creek Drive, Menlo Park, California, with the return address of M. J. KEENEY, 215 B Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. The contents of the letter addressed to EDDY are as follows: (b)(4)

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Dear Harriet & Myrt.

It was very good to see you yesterday and our time together was all too short. As I am taking off tonight, it seems as if I did not accomplish much in S.F. and left many loose threads for M J to pull together when she comes through. I saw many old and tried friends but did not have time to have too many serious conferences. I have always loved this part of U S better than any other. It is (not) only scenically beautiful but many choice (or chosen) souls live here. M J feels the same way about it.

Be that as it may, our work seems to be out out for us on the other side of our "one" world. There is much to be done everywhere and our people know what needs to be done without wasting time and effort. I am going back with greater zest than I had a year ago, for I know what my assignment really means. I am not expecting to accomplish too much but whatever the accomplishment is, it will be solid and substantial and it is better that I am doing it than others we can think of.

Please keep in touch with M J, for she is going to be very lonely until she can join me.

Much love to you both.

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Enclosed in the above mentioned letter was the following letter addressed as set out below:

13 -- Sept. -- 46

ANNA KRAVTCHENKO
SERAFIMOVICH 2
APT. 122, ENTRANCE 6
MOSCOW, 72, USSR

Dear Anna,

HARRIET E. has told me about the interesting book you are writing and thought you would be interested in what I have found in Japan about libraries and what I am trying to do to effect democratic changes. In the beginning of this account I will number a few items:

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1. There are few trained librarians in Japan.
2. Perhaps 6 librarians have studied library methods in Europe and the U. S.
3. The small number of important library posts have been political plums.
4. Librarians have no prestige in the professional world.
5. Librarians as a group are the poorest paid of professional workers.
6. The one poorly organized library school attached to the Nemo (?) Imperial Library in Tokyo has accepted as pupils, graduates of high schools and not colleges. These high school graduates have been completely inexperienced and immature.
7. There is no uniform method of cataloging and classification. Each library uses its own system. Under these circumstances the setting up of any kind of a union (?) catalog will be exceedingly difficult.
8. Japan has no adequate library laws of any kind.
9. The former Japanese Library Association was a most autocratic organization. The rank and file librarian had no opportunity of any kind to make himself heard or to express his ideas, if he had any.
10. All so-called public libraries charged both an admission fee to enter the library and a larger fee to borrow books to read at home.

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You can judge the size of my problem by the above items which must be changed. What little has been done in 7 months I have had to do without any assistance. I am the single so-called "Library Officer" (?). c u

Before mentioning the few positive results you must know a little about the Monbusho (Ministry of Education) which has largely controlled Japanese Library affairs. The Monbusho is divided into bureaus and libraries were controlled by the Section of Cultural Education in the Bureau of Social Education. I had been told that the Monbusho knew nothing about libraries and their administration and soon discovered this to be a correct statement. My first job, then, was to teach Monbusho officials a little about the value of libraries. The official with whom I have had most dealings, -- Chief, Section of Cultural Education, is a young chap and I found him a willing and an apt pupil. He now knows something about libraries. c u

The Naimusho, Ministry of Home Affairs, has been a very powerful ministry. Far more powerful than Monbusho. The Naimusho has controlled all prefectural affairs, -- a prefecture corresponds to a state in the U. S. It has appointed the prefectural librarians up to now. This fact has been a blow to the Monbusho prestige as the M pretends to control libraries. This contretemps between ministries made my work more difficult. A good piece of National Library legislation will iron out this difficulty. c u

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Positive results:

1. The director of the Nemo Imperial Library which roughly corresponds to the Library of Congress has always been a political appointment. I discovered that the director died just before I reached Japan and a new appointment was to be made. I succeeded in getting the assistant director made the Director. He is a very nice person, but very weak. He is literally afraid to draw a long breath.
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I hope to make a similar trip south before I return home probably late in October 1946. I have agreed to return for another year. I feel that my efforts have not been entirely in vain, but think it is necessary to keep plugging away. Japanese librarians, in general, have no initiative or imagination. I am trying to instill in them enough courage to stand on their own legs. (c) u

All in all this experience has been very worth while. I could have accomplished far more with one or two good assistants. It has been difficult for my wife and I to be separated so long and to be separated another year. We have always worked together as a team. She feels as I do that when one begins a job it is necessary to stick with it until it is finished. She tried to join me but the powers that be do not believe that working wives and working husbands should join forces. She is to direct women's national and international affairs over a new broadcasting station to be opened in Washington quite soon. (c) u

I hope you health is much improved. My best regards and more power to your efforts. (c) u

Sincerely yours,

/s/ PHILIP O. KEENEY (c) u

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Two photostatic copies of the above letter are being forwarded to the Bureau and to the Washington Field Division as enclosures with copies of this report. (e) u

Consideration is being given to the possibility that HARRIET EDDY is used as a mail drop for correspondence with individuals in Russia. (e) u

u (e) Source C has made available to this office [redacted]

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RE: GREGORY ASPIOLIGE

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[illegible] Sept.-46

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[illegible] 122 Entrance 6
[illegible] 72, U.S.S.R.

Dear Anna,

Harriet E has told me about the interesting book you are writing and thought you would be interested in what I have found out in Japan about libraries and what I am trying to do to effect democratic changes. In the beginning of this account I will mention a few items:

1. There are few trained librarians in Japan.

2. Perhaps 6 librarians have [illegible] library methods in Europe and [illegible]

3. The small number of [illegible] library posts have been put to [illegible]

4. Librarians have no prestige in the professional world.

5. Librarians as a group are the poorest paid of professional workers.

2. b. The one poorly organized library school attached to the Teiko Imperial Library in Tokyo has accepted as pupils graduates of high schools and not colleges. These high school graduates have been completely [illegible] immature.

7. There is no uniform method of cataloging and classification. Each library uses its own system. [illegible] under these circumstances [illegible] of any kind of a [illegible] will be exceedingly difficult.

8. Japan has no adequate [illegible] of any kind.

9. The former Japanese Library was a most autocratic organization

The rank and file librarian had no opportunity of any kind to make himself heard or to express his ideas if he had any.

10. All so called public libraries charge both an admission fee to the library and a larger fee to borrow to read at home.

You can judge the size of my problem by the above items which must [illegible] What little has been done [illegible] I have had to do without [illegible] I am the single so called [illegible]

Before mentioning the [illegible] results you must know [illegible] about the Mombusho (Ministry of Education) which has [illegible] Japanese Library affairs. The Mombusho is divided into bureaus and libraries were

controlled by the Section of Cultural Education in the Bureau of Social Education. I had been told that the Naimusho knew nothing about libraries and their administration and soon discovered this to be a correct statement. My first job, then, was to teach Naimusho officials a little about the value of libraries. The official with whom I had most dealings, - chief, Section of Cultural Education, is a [illegible] and I found him a willing and an apt pupil. He now knows [illegible] about libraries.

The Naimusho, Ministry of Interior, has been a very powerful [illegible] more powerful than [illegible] Naimusho has controlled all [illegible] affairs, - a prefecture corresponds to a state in the U.S. It has appointed the prefectural librarians up to now.

The fact has [illegible]
[illegible] of the [illegible]
labor [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible]
difficult. A good [illegible]
library legislation [illegible]
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I hope to make a similar trip south before I return home initially late in October 1946. I have [illegible] to return for another year [illegible] that my efforts have not been entirely in vain, but it is necessary to keep plugging. Japanese librarians, in general, have no initiative or [illegible]. I am trying to instill in them enough courage to stand on their own legs.

All in all this strike [illegible] very
with whole. [illegible] could [illegible]
[illegible] more in time [illegible] good
[illegible] has been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to be separated so [illegible] [illegible] be
separated [illegible]
worked [illegible]
as I do the [illegible] [illegible]
it is necessary [illegible] with [illegible]
it is finished. She tried to [illegible] me
but the women that [illegible]
working [illegible] [illegible]
should join forces.
women's national [illegible]
over a men's [illegible]
be opened [illegible]

I hope [illegible]
improved. May [illegible]
more power to your el[illegible]

Sincerely,

Philip [illegible] Kenney

3 Jan 47

Dear Harriet [illegible]

[illegible] It was very good to see you yesterday and [illegible] to [illegible]

I have thought of [illegible] accomplishments [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] together [illegible] through years [illegible] and tried [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] many people [illegible] I have always laughed with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] other [illegible] beautiful [illegible] souls [illegible] same way about it.

Be that as it may, one [illegible] seems to be cut out for us on

the other side of my 'one' world.
There is [illegible]
everywhere and [illegible]
knows what [illegible]
without [illegible]
effort [illegible]
depth [illegible]
[illegible] years ago, [illegible]
that [illegible]
means. [illegible]
to accomplish [illegible]
whatever the [illegible]
us, it will [illegible]
only [illegible]
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this world [illegible]
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Michael [illegible]
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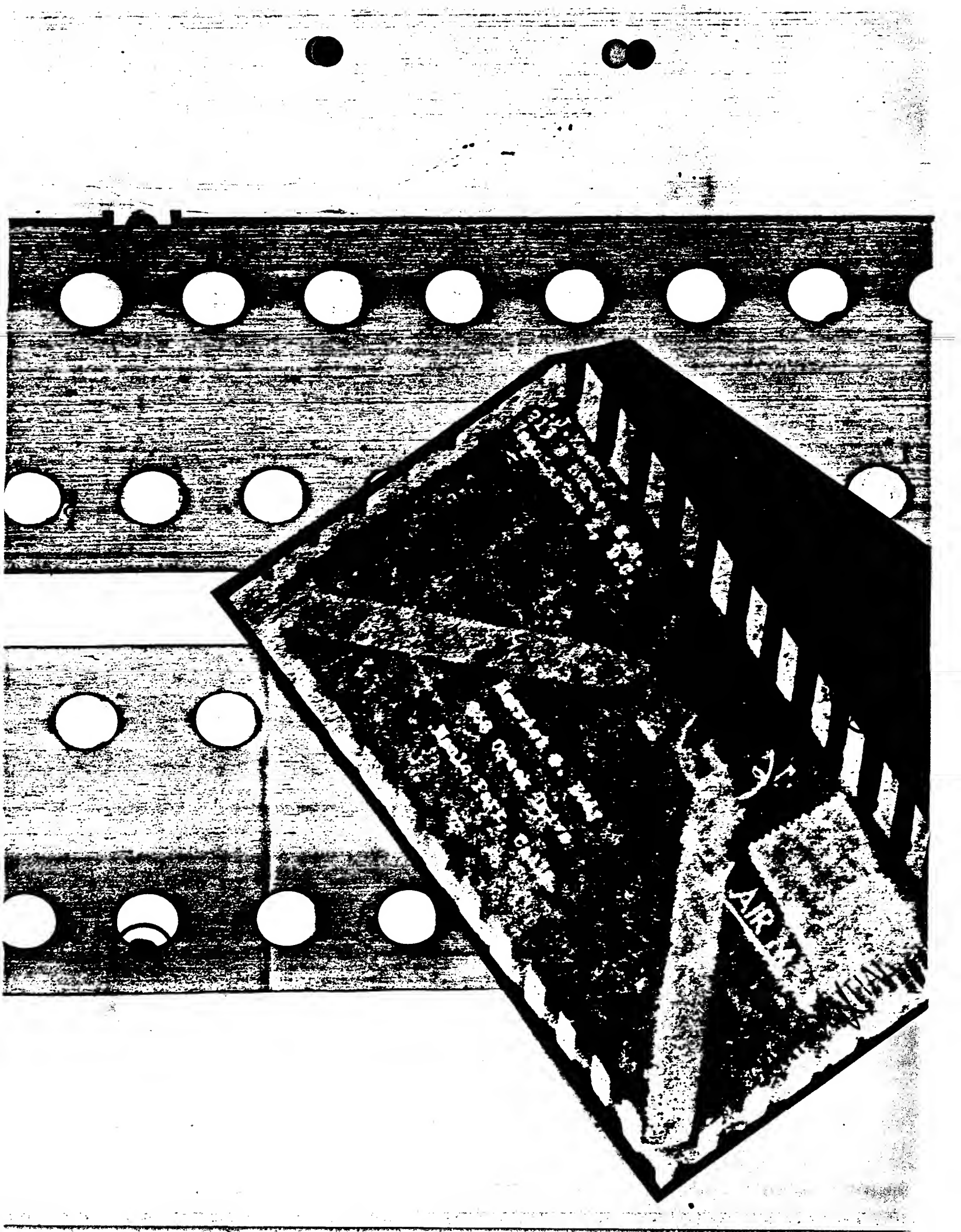
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1-1-1947

Beloved, Beloved,

We had a large party at Pete's last night and I got home [illegible] from all and dancing. Everyone sent regards to you and I [illegible] you again. Tick was there with his uke and had [illegible] Pete doesn't like to call but Bert was darked and [illegible] Dave was there alone without a partner whom I met in Cincinnati. Office is [illegible] as [illegible]. I met Sandra yesterday at PLWM party [illegible] many others. Sandra is well and wants me to call but my time is limited. Tomorrow, Harriet thought we [illegible] meeting at St Francis

To take me to an football game I arrange final arrangement about trip. I am also scheduled to visit Salon School. I have already met Roberts & Johnson and others on staff.

This is a beautiful apartment with a lovely view of Golden Gate bridge. It looks as if Hal Klingshoffer is having a very successful practice and he like I am is a real Fundamentalist.

I am deciding about crossing the Bay and went over. The Berkeley flowers and shrubs are as beautiful as ever — mirror bush, geraniums, heather and acacia in bloom, and even roses. I had quite a walk to 2646 Russell where I found Paul, the girls and a friend in [illegible] bridge game.

The girls spent [illegible] San Diego with Rus and Joe. Both seem quite well and gave me a very warm welcome. They were invited out to dinner and I am expecting to go back for tomorrow evening and dinner. They compelled me to take a hand at bridge and I had quite a run of luck. I am glad they had this trip. I imagine their life must be rather dull, — perhaps not to them.

I came back and dined chez Saundra and we had a very nice visit. She is wonderfully fond of us and as great a church worker as ever. She has a beautiful view of Berkeley and the bridge from her front windows on top of Montgomery St. She has two [illegible] who

are very playful fellows. Winsta
has plenty of space and you will
share it with her when you
arrive. She has or is having an
analysis and thinks it is doing
her much good and she really
seems very fit. She is on board
from CIO Council & Brewery
Workers who are having a very
tough organizational problem.
I was really glad to spend this
evening with her when there
were many other spots I might
have been.

I shall call Jo tomorrow and
see her tomorrow evening if it
is humanly possible. I did not
want to give her a ring until
my plans had jelled.

Seeing these old sights with you
has seemed quite strange
and extraordinary. It has been

grand to see so many of
old and staunch friends, but
your absence is a very great lack.
You will probably forward letters
how I feel now when you come on
How you are and what you
are doing are on everyones tongue
which goes to show the intimate
part you play in many lives.

Oodles of love and a million
kisses. It would be wonderful
to give you a big 1947 hug
but it may not be too long
before this wish can be realized.

Yours
Angus

12-30-46

Beloved, Beloved,

I hope you are having a gay round of parties. Your schedule seemed very full for one the last year. You must continue to move around as if I were your constant companion. It was, indeed, wonderful seeing all we saw together. It is not quite as tough going back as it was a year ago, for I know you will be with me one of these days.

This is a small world!! This morning at breakfast I was joined by Walter Koons who is returning to S F after 2 years in Montana. He is an attorney with H H A and he the same guy

we [illegible] but unmarried. He is not so stout but makes a fine appearance. He had visited Roger Hong in Butte. Roger is just graduated from law school, is married with [illegible] but the same old boy and his wife supports his views. Walter will look you up if he gets to Washington as he does occasionally.

We are 5 hours late & making the run through Calif by daylight when it usually is made by night. I have seen many olive trees and get just a [illegible] of

nostalgia as I see the [illegible]
which did not bless me. We
are now approaching Sacramento
and it won't be long before
we reach SF. There was quite
a bit of snow in Truckee
but the valley is green and
fresh looking.
We got to SF at 3:15 as
no one met me I taxied
to PW where I found a
N.Y. party in full blast.
I am going to Mill Valley
for the night where Henry B
will be present. Tomorrow
I am to see Bert & Pile
at a N.Y. party. Adam & Eva

seem well settled. I have
been asked to dine with them
on his day, but, first, I must
find out about my flight
which may be delayed
on account of changes in
ATC schedules.

It was a swell party at
PW headquarters and
Harry Kramer was a swell
guy as well as other staff
members; I met including
Mr. Montana pal,
Mary Bergin who asked
me to visit him and his
family in Mill Valley
but I will have plenty of

calls to make when you come out.
It is really superb weather, quite
warm for SF and clear. There are
many things I would like to do
here, but I am afraid my time
is all too short.

Henry + I talked until the
wee hours and had some
very good conversation about
libraries and my problems
+ his problems.

Jess brought us in and
I went to Dan's office. He is
just as swift as ever and
beside his desk. After a
conversation I went to
91 WU Office to see Sue
et al. Harry is in Hawaii
but I met all the rest

including Bjorn Hallings,
Watson, Dodd and the
librarian Ann Rand.
I took Isac to lunch
and he sends you his
best and wants to see
you when you come
out. I am attending
a hg party here (ILWU)
this Pm. Sam will come
and take me to my
digings and I am to
dine with him & Carol
tonight and go with
them to Berto's + Pelé's later
in the evening.
My only regret is the fact

you are not with me
but one of these days
you and I will do the
Bay Area together.
May 1947 he conducted
and wrote us this for
many years have
passed.
Dolly & Don and Susan
and a pat to Mary,
yours ever
Dick

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January 20, 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I am attaching hereto a newspaper despatch appearing in the Washington Daily News. You will observe that the United Press, upon the basis of a "reliable source", reports that the Justice Department is nearly ready to "crack down on a group of Federal employees working in the interests of a foreign power". You will observe that the attached newspaper story indicates that grand jury proceedings, "leading to charges of a more serious nature against these suspected of working for foreign interests", is contemplated by the Department. In addition to this story, I might point out that earlier today radio newscasts carried the substance of the press statement, and one radio broadcast indicated that a high former official of the Treasury Department was involved. It appears to me obvious that someone in the Department has furnished information concerning the Gregory Case to a United Press representative. The information furnished is obviously current, since you will recall that within the past week discussions have been held in the Department as to the possibility of a grand jury proceedings in the Gregory Case. I do believe that premature publicity of this kind will make successful prosecutive or investigative action in this case, and in collateral current cases, impossible. The publicity in this situation will undoubtedly make the subjects of the Gregory Case and of other cases exceedingly security conscious and will make our elaborate investigative plans and program virtually impotent insofar as the production of real information and evidence is concerned.

I urge that you take prompt and aggressive steps to insure the immediate discontinuation of these stories.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER
with aliases; et al

January 8, 1947

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNME

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 24, 1946

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

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SUBJECT: GREGORY
ESPIONAGE - R

Re: ABEL ROLF PLENN

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Information received this office by letter dated September 11, 1946 from Washington Field that occupants of Apartment 5, 264 South Reeves Drive, Beverly Hills are correspondents of ABEL ROLF PLENN.

Investigation reflects that the following individuals [illegible] Apartment 5 at this address:

Mrs. Ann R. Brederman
Mrs. H. Radoff

Nat R. Corner
Goldie Radoff (w[illegible] be identical with Mrs. H. Radoff)

The indices of this office are negative on all of these names.

In order to assist the investigation and disclose which of the above occupants are correspondents of the captioned subject, authorization is requested for a mail cover to be placed on mail addressed to all individuals at the address.

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(Abel Rolf Plenn)

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G.I.R. 5

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated December 24, 1946, requesting authorization for a mail cover on the occupants of Apartment No. 5 at 264 South Reeves Drive, Beverly Hills, California, who are known contacts of Abel Rolf Plenn.

Pursuant to your request, authority is granted to place a sixty day mail cover on the following individuals who reside in Apartment No. 5 at the above address: Mrs. Ann R. Bredesman, Mrs. E. Radoff, Nat R. Cerner and Goldie Radoff.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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PHILLIP O. KEENEY and his wife, MARY JANE KEENEY, arrived Chicago 8:35 A.M., 12/24/46. Checked baggage at East Gate Hotel. Went to Headquarters of American Library Association, 50 East Huron. At approximately noon, KEENEYs departed for Woodstock, Illinois, to visit Mrs. KEENEY's mother. Left Woodstock morning of December 25. Returned to East Gate Hotel approximately 5 P.M., 12/25. KEENEYs visited Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, December 26, and made several contacts at U of C. On 12/27, KEENEYs attended Midwinter Conference, American Library Association at Drake Hotel. Also attended conference on December 28. KEENEYs were in conference with CHARLES H. BROWN of Iowa State College at Drake Hotel on 12/28. In evening, had dinner with person believed to be SAM KUDISH and other unidentified persons. PHILLIP KEENEY left Chicago for San Francisco at 7:55 P.M. on 12/28/46. San Francisco advised. MARY JANE KEENEY believed to have attended party of United Public Workers of America - CIO on this date. She checked out of East Gate Hotel at noon, 12/29/46. She is believed to have returned to Washington on 12/30/46.

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Teletype from Washington Field dated 12/24/46.
Conference teletype from Chicago to San Francisco and Washington Field dated 12/28/46.

DETAILS:

Referenced letter of December 17, 1946, advised that PHILLIP OLIN KEENEY and his wife, MARY JANE KEENEY, contemplated spending the Christmas holidays in Chicago, where they contemplated attending a meeting of the American Library Association. KEENEY was thereafter expected to proceed to Fairfield, California, to board ATC plane for Tokyo. This letter also pointed out that the KEENEYs were expected to stay at the East Gate Hotel, 162 East Ontario, Chicago, and would spend Christmas Day with WALTER SASSAMAN and his wife, LUCY SASSAMAN, at 11027 South Green Street, Chicago.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JEREMIAH J. HURLEY, G. C. THOMPSON, JOSEPH A. CANALE and the reporting Agent.

On December 20, 1946, Assistant Manager A. M. HAYWARD, East Gate Hotel, 1627 Ontario, produced a letter from PHILLIP KEENEY requesting reservations from December 25 to December 30. He indicated that he would check some baggage at the hotel on the morning of December 24 and would check in the hotel on the evening of December 25. Reservations had previously been made for the KEENEYs by Mrs. WALTER SASSAMAN. Arrangements were made with Mr. HAYWARD for the coverage of the KEENEYs during their stay at the hotel.

HERBERT HEWITT, Reference Librarian, 4th floor, West Chicago Public Library, advised that the Midwinter Conference of the American Library Association was scheduled to be held December 27 through 30 at the Drake Hotel.

As indicated in referenced letter, the KEENEYs arrived in Chicago at 8:35 A.M. on December 24, 1946. They had in their possession upon arrival in Chicago the following described pieces of luggage:

One small, black leather briefcase
One small piece of gray airplane luggage
One large piece of gray airplane luggage
One dark brown satchel

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One canvas Army Val-O-Pac
One OD canvas knapsack

In addition to the above, MARY JANE carried a large knitting bag.

The KEENEYs immediately took a taxi to the East Gate Hotel where they checked their luggage.

With the small gray piece of airplane luggage and the knitting bag, the KEENEYs visited the Headquarters of the American Library Association at 50 East Huron. They remained here until approximately 11:30 A.M., when they went to the Northwestern Station. At approximately 12:30 P.M. they departed Chicago for Woodstock, Illinois.

While at the Northwestern Station, PHILLIP KEENEY changed the reservations which he held for San Francisco on December 29 to a seat on the City of San Francisco on December 28. These reservations are as follows:

Seat 45, Car 101, Train 101.

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Although spot check surveillance was made at the residence of WALTER and LUCY SASSAMAN, 11027 South Green Street on December 25, 1946, the KEENEYs were not observed at this residence. It was ascertained from Assistant Manager A. M. HAYWARD of the East Gate Hotel that the KEENEYs returned to the hotel at approximately 5 P.M. on December 25.

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On December 26, 1946, PHILLIP O. KEENEY and his wife, MARY JANE, left the East Gate Hotel at approximately 10:30 A.M. and proceeded by way of the Illinois Central Electric Train to the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, where it is believed they contacted on JOHN A. WILSON, who maintains his office in Room 218 of said building. According to the Directory of the University of Chicago, WILSON is Professor of Egyptology and Chairman of the Department of Oriental Languages and Literatures, as well as Director of the Oriental Institute. He resides at 5736 Harper Avenue, telephone Dorchester 6231, and his secretary is indicated as ETHEL SCHENK. The KEENEYs departed from the Oriental Institute Building at approximately 12:35 P.M. and proceeded to the Quadrangle Club, also on the University of Chicago campus, where they had lunch with an unidentified individual.

From a highly confidential source, it was ascertained that KEENEY had an invitation to meet LEON CARNOVSKY, 1424 East 58th Street, telephone Midway 7529, who is, according to the University of Chicago Directory, Professor of Library Science, Associate Dean and Dean of the Students Graduate Library School, University of Chicago. It is possible that the individual contacted on this date was CARNOVSKY.

The KEENEYs thereafter proceeded to the University of Chicago Book Store, where some purchases of books were made. They then walked across the University of Chicago campus where they were observed to enter the house located on the Southwest corner of Woodlawn and East 58th Streets; the number of this house was not noted at the time. However, they remained in said house some fifteen or twenty minutes.

KEENEY and his wife thereafter proceeded to the Loop area in Chicago by Illinois Central Electric Train and made a contact in the Pittsfield Building. In order to maintain surveillance in a discreet manner, it was impossible to ascertain the contact in this building. The KEENEYs remained in this building approximately one hour, after which they returned to their hotel.

On December 27, 1946, KEENEY and his wife departed from the Hotel East Gate at approximately 10:50 A.M. and walked to the Drake Hotel for the purpose of attending the Midwinter Conference of the American Library Association. PHILLIP KEENEY and MARY JANE KEENEY were observed meeting and conversing with other members of the American Library Association who were in attendance at the Midwinter Conference and at 12:45 P.M. they were observed entering the dining room at Huylers in the Palmolive Building on Michigan Avenue, accompanied by an unknown man who appeared to be also in attendance at the Library Conference.

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On December 28, 1946, KEENEY and his wife left the Hotel East Gate at approximately 9:35 A.M. and walked to the Drake Hotel for further participation in the Midwinter Conference of the American Library Association. PHILLIP and MARY JANE KEENEY were observed entering a meeting room on the mezzanine floor of the Drake Hotel, marked M-8. A sign outside this room indicated that a meeting was being held there by the State Association and Bulletin Editors. PHILLIP KEENEY was observed coming out of this meeting at 11:55 A.M. and he waited on the mezzanine floor for his wife MARY JANE, who joined him at 12:20 P.M. They then went to lunch in the Blossom Room of Huyler's Restaurant in the Palmolive Building with an unidentified woman. They thereafter returned to the Drake Hotel at approximately 1:45 P.M.

PHILLIP and MARY JANE KEENEY were observed talking together on a bench in the entrance to the Lantern Room where they remained until approximately 2:40 P.M., at which time they both entered the elevator in the lobby of the Drake Hotel and went to the third floor. It was previously ascertained that PHILLIP KEENEY had called telephonically Room 365 at the Drake Hotel and arranged for an appointment between 2:00 and 4:00 P.M. on December 28, 1946, with a Mr. BROWN. Mr. COWAN, Reservation Manager at the Drake Hotel, advised that Room 365 was occupied by CHARLES H. BROWN, 317 Lynn Avenue, Ames, Iowa, who had checked into the hotel December 27 at 8 A.M. and had reserved that room for the A.L.A. Conference, and would depart on December 31, 1945.

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that PHILLIP KEENEY and MARY JANE KEENEY visited with CHARLES H. BROWN from 2:45 P.M. to 4 P.M. in Room 365 on December 28, 1946. T-1 advised that BROWN and PHILLIP discussed library work in general in Japan and that BROWN advised PHILLIP that he was talking with Mr. SIMPSON of the War Department within a week and had learned that three Libraries of Information were to be set up in three key cities in Japan. A budget of $25,000 for each center has been established, exclusive of salaries, and in addition to the three Library Information Centers, there will be library centers set up in seventeen different localities in Japan. T-1 related that BROWN appeared to be offering PHILLIP KEENEY an opportunity to participate in this Japanese program and PHILLIP was heard to reply that he wished that he was thirty or forty years younger but that he has to do his pa rt in a hurry. Informant further advised that BROWN mentioned that he had gone to Japan last fall and he also mentioned attending a Minister of Education meeting in Japan in June, 1946. Informant related that according to BROWN, Japan will be split up educationally in what is termed civicols (phonetic), which will consist of a library, a museum, and an auditorium. BROWN and PHILLIP discussed generally educational

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conditions in Japan and BROWN declared that there was an excellent opportunity for exerting influence on the Japanese through the formation of women's clubs. BROWN stated the chief drawback to this plan was the subservient nature of the Japanese people, which would make it difficult to develop persons with leadership qualities.

According to the informant, BROWN also mentioned a Mrs. RENFRO (phonetic) who apparently is working in Japan, and he likewise stated that he would try to get in touch with Lieutenant WEAVE (phonetic) upon his return to Japan. According to BROWN, Lieutenant WEAVE is a woman lieutenant in the WACS. Informant also stated that BROWN asserted that MARY JANE would be "liaison" but the significance of this remark was not clear to the informant. The informant stated also that BROWN had obtained from MARY JANE her address and telephone number in Washington, D. C. and had requested permission to get in touch with her in Washington, to which she readily agreed. The complete nature of the conversation held by BROWN and the KEENEYs was not otherwise identified and the foregoing is only a portion of their conversation.

Subsequent to their conversation with Mr. BROWN, the KEENEYs returned on foot to their hotel, the East Gate, arriving there about 4:10.

A highly confidential source at the East Gate Hotel advised that a man identified only as BEN telephonically contacted MARY JANE KEENEY on December 28 and learned from her that friends were picking her and PHILLIP up within a short time and would take them to the Sweden House on Ohio Street for dinner, subsequently driving PHILLIP KEENEY to the Northwestern Station where he would board his train for San Francisco at 7:30 P.M. This informant related that BEN claimed that he was at the Union Office at 64 West Randolph with his family and he arranged to see PHILLIP and MARY JANE in the Sweden House, as he was anxious to talk to PHILLIP. The informant stated also that MARY JANE told BEN that she would attend the Union party that evening after seeing PHILLIP off at the station.

This same informant advised that shortly before the above conversation, an individual who identified himself as BEN HIRSCH had called the East Gate Hotel and asked for PHILLIP and MARY JANE. At the time of his call, they had not returned to their hotel and he indicated that he would call back in a short time. It is believed, therefore, that the BEN above referred to is BEN HIRSCH.

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According to the indices of the Chicago Office, BEN HIRSCH is a member of the Public Library Chapter of Amalgamated Local No. 2 of the United Public Workers of America - CIO, located at 64 West Randolph. It should be further noted that employees of the Chicago Public Library had previously been organized by the State, County and Municipal Workers of America - CIO, which subsequently merged with the United Public Workers. As the Bureau has previously been advised, CARL and BERTHA JENKINSON are both very active in this union and are contacts of MARY JANE KEENEY.

The confidential source above referred to also advised that a man giving his name only as SAM and who was accompanied by a small girl about four years old called at the hotel and asked for the KEENEYs at 4:50 P.M. This man waited in the lobby for the KEENEYs and it was subsequently ascertained that they were waiting for a man identified only as ROGER and an unidentified woman also joined the party in the hotel lobby. At 5:35 P.M., PHILLIP and MARY JANE KEENEY and their friends, carrying the luggage of PHILLIP KEENEY, walked to Michigan Avenue and Ontario, where PHILLIP's luggage was placed in the trunk of a green Chevrolet Tudor Sedan, 1946 Illinois License 586-055 which, according to the Registration Records, belongs to S. KUDISH of 5451 Douglas, Chicago, Illinois. The party then proceeded to the Sweden House on Ohio Street, which they entered at approximately 5:50 P.M. The party returned from the Sweden House to the car at 7 P.M. and then proceeded to the Northwestern Depot. PHILLIP KEENEY was observed to leave the city on the City of San Francisco, which left at 7:55 P.M. on December 28, 1946. Prior to his departure, it was ascertained that PHILLIP KEENEY was endeavoring to obtain sleeping space on the train and arrangements were made with the Pullman conductor to advise the San Francisco Field Division of such change in accomodations if they were needed. MARY JANE departed from the station in the above described automobile.

MARY JANE retained her room at the East Gate Hotel for the evening of the 28th and checked out at approximately noon on December 29, 1946. She entered a taxicab and, according to Mr. A. M. HAYWARD of the East Gate Hotel, gave the address beginning with 1531. He was unable to learn the rest of the address. It is noted, however, that just prior to her departure from the hotel, she made a phone call to Midway 1624, which is listed to the Midway Apartment Hotel, 1535 East 60th Street. It should be noted that from previous investigation it has been ascertained that LUBA LAZAREFF resides at this address. It is believed possible that this may have been MARY JANE's destination when she checked out of the East Gate.

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The surveillance was maintained at Union Station covering all Pennsylvania Railroad trains back to Washington during the afternoon and evening of December 29, and MARY JANE KEENEY was not observed to depart on any of these trains. [redacted]

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Mr. A. M. HAYWARD of the East Gate Hotel made available the following toll calls made by the KEENEYs during their stay at the hotel:

December 27	Dorchester 1628	CARL JENKINSON, 6802 South Dante, Apartment 1
	Dorchester 9282	SAMUEL SWADESH, 5439 South Drexel Boulevard
December 28	Drake Hotel	(Call to CHARLES H. BROWN, Room 365)
December 29	Midway 1624	Midway Apartment Hotel, 1535 East 60th Street
	Hyde Park 3282	VICTOR ANDERSON, 2316 East 70th Street
	Pulman 7367	WALTER R. SASSAMAN, 11027 Green Street
	Dorchester 1628	CARL JENKINSON, 6802 South Dante Apartment 1

In addition to the above, Mr. HAYWARD advised that on the evening of December 26, Miss EDITH LAWRENCE, in the company of another white woman, a white man and two colored women, called at the desk to see MARY JANE KEENEY. Although the KEENEYs were in their room, they declined to answer the phone and the above party left stating they were going to the theatre.

A highly confidential source revealed on December 24, 1946, that PHILLIP KEENEY had in his possession the following material, which appeared to be of interest to this investigation: Three letters signed "JUAN" addressed to "Dear HARRIET and MYRTLE", in an airmail envelope addressed to HARRIET G. EDDY, 868 Creek Drive, Menlo Park, California, return address M. J. KEENEY, 215 "B" Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

One of these letters, dated at Mexico D.F., 21-XI-46, reflects JUAN received a letter from DOLORES I. telling him she received his book published in 1942, then the report on our future cultural work in Spain, and this his (JUAN's) last book. He translates it in full as follows:

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"Dear Comrade VICENS,

" Being in the S. U., I received your book about organization of libraries, which I found very interesting, and I gave it to a group of our fellow countrymen - young men, who are following a course on libraries. Thank you for that one and for the one I have received recently. With a great retard, our friend NADAL has given me your study about the future cultural work in liberated Spain, with whose fundamental ideas I absolutely agree.

" You cannot imagine how pleased I am with your activities and above all, knowing with which great strength lives in you our beloved Spain.

" 'How fights and works our people! Of the opportunity of that project of the future cultural work we can have an idea by the following example. On Villarrobledo, a village of the Province of Albacete, was unlashed the Franquist reparation with mad fury. More than a thousand persons were killed, throwing them to the wells from where clay is extracted to make bricks.

" 'A group of peasants could escape from the persecution and took shelter in the mountains and do you know which is the first thing they organized? Cultural courses and a hand wroten newspaper!

" 'Cultural courses and newspapers organized by nearly illiterate peasants, persecuted like wild beasts and who risk their lives every moment! That is something which only our men, our people do! I hope, Comrade VICENS, that we will be able soon to put into practice your projects in spite of all the cursed ones who are making such harm to us. Very cordially, DOLORES IB'

" You can imagine the effect which such a letter has made in me and in many of my friends. Sometimes while working in these cultural things here, above all when the actual fight to finish with FRANCO needs so much all our energies. The answer comes from here. Yes; you must work in these cultural things because of our people even in the most tragic circumstances wants it with all its soul.

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" To the good news. CONNIE has received a proposition to work as a translator at the UNO with a good salary; and she has accepted; so I suppose that she will be soon in the States. She tells me that she wrote to you about her review for women in Paris. LULY must have come back but nobody has seen her yet. It is a long time since I was last in Cuernavaca. She has been in Portugal — and in Spain, with her husband and husband's name. She must have a lot to tell.

" Did you receive the first part of my work for ANNA? I will send you one of these days some photographs to illustrate it. Unfortunately very few, but I cannot find more here. I have written about two thirds of the second part in first Version but I must re-write it. Have you seen the articles by TED ALLEN which appear in PM? I have seen the first two ones. I think that it would be very useful to translate them and publish them here.

" I have written to the author of 'Wind in the Olive Tree' which you sent me sending him an article which I published on the story of Unamumo which is the only unaccurate part in his book; and of which I gave in the article an exact version. And I must close. Love to both. /s/ JUAN"

Another letter dated Mexico, 5-XI-46, addressed to "Dear HARRIET and MYRTLE" is synopsized as follows:

" A few lines to send you this copy of the first part of the work for ANNA so that you can send it from there. I have just re-read it after copying it and I am horrified of the English language in which it is written. But as for contents, I think that they can be very interesting there. I do not think you can correct it as it would be necessary because it would mean to re-write it completely, but when you read it, you maybe note down or correct such words as ANNA would not understand.

" In spite of what I told you in my last letter one is come from CONNIE who is in Paris. She could only get a transit visa and says that maybe she will go for two or three weeks to Italy. In the while, she is

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"working in a review of the Womens organization so I thought it would be good that she get in touch with MARY JANE KEENEY and give her the address. eu

" I have received a charming letter from MILDRED SIMON (nee RACKLEY) whom you met in a conference or somewhere. She writes from Edmundton, Canada where she went to adopt a child. She says that she will go on adopting children to the number of four. Now I will write the second part for ANNA as soon as possible. The trouble is that I can only do it in weekends. But in the while she can translate this first part and so we do not loose time." eu

The remainder of this letter consists of personal greetings and of no interest to this investigation. The letter is signed "JUAN". eu

Another letter dated at Mexico D.F. 1-XII-46, concerned the writer's opinion on articles by TED ALLEN of PM which JUAN believes are wonderful. This part of the correspondence occupies the major part of this letter but he also says: eu

" I have finished the second part of the work for ANNA, in first version but now I must re-write it, adding things, etc. As soon as I finish it I will send a copy to you." eu

The writer also says that his trade union is the "Federation of Workers of Teaching of Spain" and that this union has started a campaign to make people send packages and to gather and send them books. He also asks if the recipient of the letter could suggest to him where he could address himself so as to interest in these campaigns, trade unions or association of teachers, university professors, those of secondary teaching, and librarians and so forth in the United States. He then adds: "By the way, in that list are included EMILIO NADAL and all his group of friends." He also requests that the recipient write also to MARY JANE about this. eu

Also contained in KEENEY's possessions was a letter consisting of approximately eight pages of onionskin paper and written in pencil, apparently in the handwriting of PHILLIP KEENEY, which appears to be a copy of a letter directed to ANNA KRAVETCHENKO, Serafimovich 2, Apartment 122, Entrance 6, Moscow 72, USSR. This was a letter in which KEENEY sets forth in detail his activities in Japan in connection with libraries. He states that he is the only library officer in Japan and eu

he bemoans the fact that the libraries of that country are in a horrible condition, principally because they have been under the domination of the Japanese Government ~~so long~~. He likewise pointed out that he is encountering difficulty in liberalizing the policy of our present Government toward the Japanese libraries. He indicates in the letter that he contemplates visiting the United States and then says that he will go back to Japan for another year. He says that the "powers" won't let his wife join him and states that his wife will "direct women's national and international affairs of a new broadcasting station to be opened in Washington quite soon". He mentioned having heard from "HARRIET E." that ANNA was writing a book. It would appear from this letter that the ANNA referred to in the communications of JUAN is identical with the ANNA who was the addressee of this letter from KEENEY.

Also included in KEENEY's possessions were a number of letters from persons in this country, among which were the following:

A letter of 12/11/46 addressed to Miss MARY ALICE MATTHEWS, National Women's Party, Alva Belmont House, 144 B Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., from CHARLES H. BROWN, Chairman of the Committee on the Orient and Southwest Pacific, Iowa State College Library, Ames, Iowa. This letter states that BROWN saw KEENEY in Washington and the latter is returning to Tokyo. He says that he thinks KEENEY would be in sympathy with what Miss MATTHEWS' organization is trying to do and that KEENEY may have suggestions of value to her. The letter pertains to the campaign of the National Women's Party to better women's rights in Japan.

In another letter addressed to KEENEY from BROWN, the latter states that he will meet KEENEY at the Drake Hotel on December 27, 1946. It would appear from correspondence that BROWN is primarily interested in shipping material directly from American libraries to Japanese libraries, a practice which has been prevented by the stringent rules of MAC ARTHUR's Government.

In this same connection, there was also contained in KEENEY's possessions a letter to BROWN from Miss MATTHEWS dated 12/6/46, in which Miss MATTHEWS states that Mrs. RUTH KELSO RENFROW, Extension Secretary of the General Federation of Women's Clubs is working on a project to send books, pamphlets, etc., to women's clubs in Japan to "foster the democratic idea in that country".

Another communication addressed to H. W. WILSON, H. W. Wilson and Company, 950-972 University Avenue, New York City, from KEENEY, in which KEENEY thanks WILSON for his assistance in aiding Japanese libraries, was also contained in his possessions. The letter indicates that the

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~~KEENEYs both saw WILSON in New York City recently.~~ U

In an envelope marked "Peace Plans Practical" was a large amount of literature, pamphlets, bulletins, stationery and envelopes of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. More particularly, the literature related to the activities of Mrs. RUTH KELSO RENFROW, 1734 N Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

There were several pieces of correspondence with CARL H. MILAM of the American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago. It is interesting to note that KEENEY carried a letter from MILAM addressed to TOSHIO ETO, who was director in charge of the Library Association in Japan, which KEENEY was apparently carrying back to deliver to ETO. He also had letters in his possession from ETO to persons in the United States. In this same connection, it is noted that there was a letter addressed to Mrs. GWENDOLYN B. WHITE of the American Library Association in Chicago, in which he states that correspondence with Japanese nationals is limited to postcards and KEENEY states "for that reason I should be glad to be the bearer of any communication that A. L. A. cares to send to Mr. ETO". U

There is a letter indicating that Mr. LEON CARNOVSKY might contact KEENEY in Chicago and indicating that if KEENEY was on the University of Chicago campus, CARNOVSKY would like to see him. U

KEENEY also had correspondence from RENEE GUTHMAN, Washington Secretary of the American Institute of Pacific Relations, Inc., Washington, D. C. U

There was a letter signed "DORRY" on the stationery of Dr. L. E. DANIELS, 1227 Republic Building, Denver, Colorado. This is a personal communication but it is stated therein that the address of Private ROBERT V. DANIELS is as follows: ASN 46-073-519, Headquarters B.S. Sq. 563, Air Service Group, 20th Fighter Wing, APO 182, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco. The letter indicates that Private DANIELS is in Honolulu. U

From the examination of the literature and documents in KEENEY's possession, it appears that KEENEY is now trying to get occidental books in Japanese libraries. On one occasion he stated he tried to see "Mr. WOOD of USIBA". He states that he learned from people in the War Department that SCAP is unwilling to have USIBA set up an office in Tokyo. He indicated that his general interest is to rehabilitate Japanese libraries. KEENEY had in his possession a large quantity of notes and reports relating to his work on the libraries in Japan. It U

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is noted that much of this material is contained in reports to a Lieutenant Colonel ORR and pertains more specifically to library conferences held during September and October, 1946. KEENEY had in his possession also a large stack of cards, apparently from libraries throughout Japan. These cards appeared to be of the ordinary business variety. U

Most of the correspondence gave the impression that KEENEY was dissatisfied with the way in which the rehabilitation of Japanese libraries was going forward and he indicated that he was in favor of a much greater freedom in the furnishing of occidental books and literature to the Japanese. He appeared to favor the right of individuals in the United States to send books directly to Japanese libraries, which to date has been prohibited by the American military forces in Japan. U

No effort was made to analyze the large volume of material in KEENEY's possession which dealt exclusively with his work on the libraries in Japan or with his contacts with the American Library Association in Chicago, since it would appear that the Army would be cognizant of his activities in this regard. U

No lead is being set forth for the Omaha Field Division to conduct an investigation of CHARLES H. BROWN since there is no way of evaluating the importance of the contact between KEENEY and BROWN. An extra copy of this report, however, is being furnished to the Washington Field Office, and in the event the office of origin desires investigation of BROWN a copy of this report may be forwarded to the Omaha Field Division.

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THE CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois

Will check the indices of the Chicago Field Office on the names of the various persons contacted by the KEENEYs during their stay in Chicago.

Copies of this report are sent to San Francisco for their information in connection with the surveillance of PHILLIP KEENEY.

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Confidential Informant T-1 is Special Agent J. J. HURLEY, who was able to overhear conversation in BROWN's room at the Drake Hotel from the corridor.

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MAYNARD GERTLER

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In June of 1945 Mrs. ANNA S. GERTLER bought 180 acre farm in Rappahannock County, Virginia. The GERTLERS resided at this farm intermittently and recently moved several loads of furniture there by station wagon. They have had quite a few "foreign looking visitors". LORING ANDERSON, Rappahannock County native, resides in the farm tenant house and takes care of the farm. [Mail cover placed.] Toll calls set forth. (4) u. S.I.R.-5

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DEFERRED RECORDING

REFERENCE: Washington Field Office letters to Richmond dated October 21 and October 25, 1946.

DETAILS: On October 21, 1946 the Washington Field Office advised Richmond as follows:

"MAYNARD GERTLER, a subject in the investigation of the case entitled "GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R", has moved from his residence at 3721 39th Street N.W., Washington, D. C. He has given his forwarding address as West Street, Harrison, New York, c/o H. G. STRAUS, (his father-in-law), to his former landlord and the Post Office at Washington, D. C. However, it has been ascertained through confidential [illegible] STOP

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informants of this office that GERTLER is moving his furniture and personal effects by means of his privately owned automobile, to his farm near Washington, Virginia. It was also determined that GERTLER intends to spend an indefinite period of time this Fall at his farm engaged in some unknown writing project. Through Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, it was determined that GERTLER has made numerous telephone calls to Washington, Virginia, telephone number 8F-55 over the past six months. It is highly probable that this telephone number is listed to GERTLER or to someone who has knowledge of the whereabouts of his farm.

Through an extremely confidential source it was ascertained that there was observed in GERTLER'S possession at his residence in Washington, D. C., numerous State Department restricted reports, copies of educational programs and manuals of the Workers School and the Jefferson School, both of New York City (Communist Party organizations). In addition, there were observed numerous reports of the Office of Strategic Services and large quantities of letters received by GERTLER over the past several years. It is requested that your office attempt to develop a highly confidential source who has access to this material and to furnish copies of same to this office. This source advised that the above material was packed in paper and wooden cartons and wrapped with twine prior to its being moved to the subject's farm at Washington, Virginia.

The Richmond Field Division is requested to ascertain if GERTLER is now living at his farm in Washington, Virginia, and if so, to ascertain through a discreet investigation his contacts while there. It is known that in the past he has had several subjects in the instant case and other guests at his farm in Washington, Virginia. It is also requested that a mail cover be placed on his residence there. No Bureau authority is needed for this cover as it has already been authorized for this subject. In the event this investigation determines that GERTLER is in Washington, Virginia you are requested to advise this office at once.

For the benefit of your Field Division the following background information concerning GERTLER and his description are set forth. A picture of the exact likeness of subject is being enclosed.

MAYNARD GERTLER was born on December 1, 1916 at Montreal, Canada. He was naturalized on May 9, 1944 in the U. S. District Court of the District of Columbia. His father and mother, HYMAN and GERTRUDE GERTLER were born in Austria, Hungary. He is married to ANNE STRAUS GERTLER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. HUGH GRANT STRAUS of Union Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York. Her father is the owner of the Abram-Straus Department Store, New York City. GERTLER attended Queens University, Kingston, Canada and Columbia University, New York City. He has received a B.A. and a Ph.D. Degree. His entire employment in this country has been with the U. S. Government. He was appointed to a position as an economist with the Board

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of Economic Warfare on February 13, 1943. He entered the U. S. Army as a Private in 1943 and was later assigned to the Office of Strategic Services. After leaving OSS and the U. S. Army he secured a position in the Asiatic Section of the State Department which was terminated in July, 1946, and at the present time is on leave without pay from the State Department. His occupation at this time is unknown, although informants have advised that he is doing some "special writing" and he has also said that he intends to go into the "motion picture business in New York City". GERTLER entered the instant case through a close contact with numerous subjects in this case. He is described as follows:

Height	6' to 6' 1"
Weight	190 to 200 lbs.
Hair	Dark brown, cut short, receding hairline
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Dark
Build	Athletic
Appearance	Italian
Face	Oval, determined expression
Eyebrows	Dark
Nose	Large nostrils
Date of birth	December 1, 1916
Place of birth	Montreal, Canada
Naturalization	Naturalized citizen of the U. S. on May 9, 1944, District of Columbia.
Employment	Last employed in the State Dept., Washington, D. C.
Automobile	1940 Pontiac Station Wagon, faded maroon, New York tag S U - 20-746 B
Marital Status	Married to ANNE S. GERTLER

ANNE S. GERTLER is described as follows:

Height	5' 5"
Weight	125 lbs.
Born	October 25, 1922, New York City
Hair	Dark, worn in long bob
Eyes	Dark, wears glasses
Appearance	Unattractive - Jewish

Upon receipt of the above letter a mail cover was placed on GERTLER'S mail at Washington, Virginia by Special Agent BERT L. DAMRON on October 22, 1946. The results of this mail cover to date are as follows:

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10-12-46	Room 2319 Morrison Hotel Chicago, Ill.	Mrs. Ann Gertler
10-30-46	9 South First Ave. Westchester Lighting Co. Mt. Vernon, N.Y.	Mrs. Ann Straus Gertler
11-1-46	U. S. Gov. Printing Office Div. of Public Documents Wash., 25, D. C.	Maynard Gertler
11-7-46	C & P Tel. Co. 725 13th Street NW Washington 5, D.C.	Mrs. Maynard Gertler
11-8-46	West Chester Lighting Co. Law & Claim Dept. 9th South First Ave. Mt. Vernon, N.Y.	Mrs. Ann Straus Gertler
11-15-46	The University of Chicago 5750 Ellis Ave. Chicago, Ill.	Ann S. Gertler

The Postmaster advised that most of these letters appeared to him to be bills.

Sheriff J. M. LILLARD, Rappahannock County, Virginia, advised that the GERTLER'S had purchased a farm from a party named LEINSDORFF, and that at the present time LORING ANDERSON, a Rappahannock County native, works the farm for the GERTLERS. He lives in the first house as you turn in the drive-way of the farm. The GERTLERS live in the second house. LILLARD stated ANDERSON was of good reputation and character but he did not know whether he could be trusted not to talk. The Sheriff advised that he saw a station wagon go into the GERTLER farm sometime ago with furniture and other material loaded on it.

The records of the Clerk's Office, Rappahannock County, reflect that on June 28, 1945 parcel of land was transferred from ERICK LEINSDORFF and his wife ANN, to Mrs. ANNA S. GERTLER. LEINSDORFF had acquired the land in April 1941. The transfer to GERTLER took place in New York as the records show the guarantors filed the deeds in New York.

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By letter of October 25, 1946 the Washington Field desired to know the identity of the following numbers: 8F55 Washington, Virginia, Mrs. PHILLIPS; 12 J Washington, Virginia; Middleburg, Virginia 60; [illegible] Washington, Virginia 9M; Luray, Virginia 277. It is noted that 8F55 is the telephone number of LORING ANDERSON and the GERTLERS, and that Mrs. PHILLIPS was the person renting the GERTLER home prior to their moving in. It was ascertained that 12J, Washington, Virginia is the Washington House Hotel. 9M Washington, Virginia belongs to L. V. MERRILL who operates the Standard Oil Garage in Washington, Virginia. It is believed any call to this number was probably about the GERTLER farm. 60 Middleburg, Virginia

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is listed for the Foxcroft School which is a very exclusive girls school for high school age students at Middleburg. It has not yet been determined the identity of Lursy 277.

No leads are being set out for the Washington Field Office to check the numbers listed in this report inasmuch as it is not known whether or not Washington already has these numbers and may have conducted investigation concerning them in the past.

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AT WASHINGTON, VIRGINIA

Will report further results of the mail cover. (b)u

AT LURAY, VIRGINIA

Will ascertain the subscriber to telephone, Luray 277, and furnish background information concerning this person.

Will recontact Confidential Informant T-1 for further information.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. ON JANUARY THIRTEEN, MARY JANE KEENEY CONTACTED INEZ MUNOZ MARIN, MAYFLOWER HOTEL, STATING LOUISE ROSSKAM HAD WRITTEN CONCERNING MRS. MUNOZ MARIN AND SUGGESTED MARY JANE CONTACT HER. MAYFLOWER RECORDS INDICATE MR. AND MRS. LUIS MUNOZ MARIN REGISTERED JANUARY EIGHT, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN. CONVERSATION INDICATES MRS. MUNOZ MARIN IS FROM PUERTO RICO AND ENDEAVORING TO LOCATE BOOKS FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK THERE AND APPARENTLY DESIRES PUBLICATIONS HAVING COMMUNIST OR LEFTIST SLANT. SAME DATE, DAN MELCHER CONTACTED MARY JANE INDICATING MRS. MUNOZ MARIN WAS WITH HIM AND DISCUSSED SUBJECT MATTER OF BOOKS. MELCHER MENTIONED THAT AS SHE EXPLAINS IT THE STRENGTH OF GOOD GOVERNMENT IS IN THE ILLITERATE IN PUERTO RICO AND UNDER ORDINARY TEACHING METHODS THE PEOPLE BECOME REACTIONARY. INCIDENTALLY, MELCHER INDICATED PEGGY MELCHER GOT OFF SATURDAY AND HE WILL BE LEAVING DAY AFTER TOMORROW. MARY JANE COMMENTED THIS MEANT THE MELCHERS WERE LEAVING FOR GOOD. THEREAFTER MARY JANE CONFERRED WITH BOWEN SMITH AT LENGTH CONCERNING MUNOZ MARIN MISSION, DISCUSSING SCHOOLS IN WASHINGTON, SUCH AS INTER RACIAL SCHOOL AND GRASLAND DAY SCHOOL OPERATED BY AGNES ENGLIS, TO WHOM BOWEN SMITH REFERRED THEM.

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ON JANUARY THIRTEEN, MARY JANE CONTACTED LES KLEPPER AND RUSS NIXON CONCERNING AN AMERICAN FIRM WHICH COLLABORATED PRIOR TO THE WAR AND IS ENGAGED IN RESUMING ITS CARTEL CONNECTIONS, NAMELY, THE AMERICAN POTASH COMPANY. SHE INDICATED TO KLEPPER THAT URSULA WASSERMAN HAD SENT ANOTHER SOS AND IS EAGER TO GET HOLD OF THAT MATERIAL AND KLEPPER INDICATED HE WAS GOING TO NEW YORK AND WOULD SEE URSULA THURSDAY OR FRIDAY NIGHT. KLEPPER FURNISHED THE NAMES OF FREEMEYER, PHONETIC, AND ONE LEHMAN, PHONETIC, AS HAVING WORKED ON THE SHERING, PHONETIC, CASE IN GERMANY AND MARY JANE ENDEAVORED TO LOCATE THESE INDIVIDUALS THROUGH RUSS NIXON. ABOVE MATTERS APPARENTLY INTERRELATED. IT IS NOTED KLEPPER STATED LEHMAN ONCE WORKED FOR ANTI TRUST, JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, AND MENTIONED HE HAD SPOKEN TO HARRY RICHNER, PHONETIC, JUSTICE DEPARTMENT. CONCERNING MUNOZ MARIN, PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE INDICATED MARY JANE KEENEY VISITED HER ROOM, MAYFLOWER HOTEL, NOON, JANUARY FOURTEEN. [ON JANUARY THIRTEEN, MRS. LOWENTHAL CONTACTED KRAMER DISCUSSING FURTHER EFFORTS TO DESTROY BREWSTER SUB COMMITTEE. THEY AGREED WHAT THEY NEED TO DO THIS IS DELAY AND MORE TIME. LOWENTHAL URGED THAT THIS FIGHT WOULD WEAKEN TAFT, WHERRY, ETC. IN THEIR CONTROL OF REPUBLICAN PARTY AND POWER TO PUT THROUGH ANY LEGISLATION, LABOR OR OTHERWISE. HE ALSO MENTIONED TELEGRAM FROM WALTER WHITE STATING THAT GROUP DESIRES ERASING OF COMMITTEE FOR WHATEVER HELP IT WOULD GIVE TOWARD ELIMINATING THAT REPORT, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO MEADER REPORT CONDEMNING DISPLACED PERSONS, WHICH IS PRINCIPAL CONCERN OF LOWENTHAL AND DAVE WAHL.] (C)U ON JANUARY THIRTEEN ONE ROZZIE, BELIEVED WIFE OF JACK BURLING, INVITED LUNNINGS TO DINNER TUESDAY NIGHT. MRS. LUNNING INQUIRED CONCERNING OTHER JOB JACK WAS CONSIDERING CONCERNING ATOMIC

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ENERGY AND ROZZIE INDICATED HE HAD BEEN ACCEPTED AND HIS FATHER FAVORED HIM ACCEPTING JOB WHICH WOULD REQUIRE FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITY IN WELL KNOWN FIRM COVINGTON, BURLING, ACHESON, ETC. ON JANUARY THIRTEEN, HELEN SILVERMASTER CONTACTED MILLER, WHO SUGGESTED SHE TELL GREGG THEY SAW SOME OF THE BOYS LAST NIGHT, MENTIONING ~~HER~~ OUR FRIEND BARNEY (LEROY) AND THIS STORY THAT JOE GILLMAN - THAT DAVE WAHL HAD ABOUT BARNEY AND THIS FELLOW VAN TASSEL IS APPARENTLY TRUE, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO SOME BUSINESS PROPOSITION. MILLER INDICATED BARNEY HALF APPROACHED HIM AND MILLER SAID HE WAS WORKING WITH SOME OTHER PEOPLE. MILLER STATED IT SEEMED THEY HAD TALKED WITH DIERKES (JOHN). PROPOSITION APPARENTLY CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF MERCHANDISE OR COMMODITIES TO FOREIGN NATIONS ON SMALL SCALE. HELEN MENTIONED IDEOLOGICAL SIDE IS NOT INVOLVED BUT GREGG IS NOT INTERESTED IN THAT SORT OF THING.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. [ON JANUARY FIFTEEN ONE JESSE FRIEDMAN CONTACTED KAPLAN INDICATING HE IS WRITING BOOK ON CARTELS AND WANTED TO CALL ON KAPLAN'S TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE. THEY ENGAGED IN LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF GERMAN INDUSTRY AND SUBSIDIES DURING WHICH KAPLAN COMPARED AMERICAN AND RUSSIAN POLICIES REFERRING TO AMERICANS AS EASY MARKS AND POINTING OUT HOW SMART THE RUSSIANS WERE.] ON JANUARY FIFTEEN MILDRED GRAZE CONTACTED MARY JANE KEENEY. THEY DISCUSSED CHICAGO CONVENTION OF AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION AND MARY JANE STATED IT WAS DULL AND AFTER FIRST MORNING ANGUS KEENEY CONCENTRATED ON SEEING TWO OR THREE PEOPLE WHOM HE REALLY WENT THERE TO SEE. SAME DATE MARY JANE CONTACTED LUCILLE EZEKIEL STATING SHE WANTED TO DISCUSS MATTERS CONCERNING NURSERY SCHOOLS ON BEHALF OF MRS. LUIS MUNOZ MARIN. MARY JANE REQUESTED ADDRESS OF MARIAN BACHRACH. FURNISHED BY LUCILLE AS TWO FOUR ONE WEST ELEVENTH STREET, NYC. [

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ON JANUARY FIFTEEN MRS. CLARK FOREMAN INVITED DUNCAN AND ISHBEL LEE TO A TEA THEY ARE GIVING FOR GROUP OF STUDENTS FROM SOUTHERN SCHOOL FOR WORKERS,

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RICHMOND, INCLUDING SEVERAL NEGROES. SHE INDICATED VIRGINIA DURR HAD SUGGESTED LEES MIGHT BE INTERESTED. ACCEPTED. ON JANUARY FIFTEEN JOE GILLMAN CONTACTED PERLO INDICATING HE UNDERSTOOD THERE WERE [illegible]ERAL OPENINGS IN THE [illegible] COUNCIL. GILLMAN SAID HE SPOKE WITH BERT GROSS WHO WANTED STATEMENT AS TO HIS BACKGROUND. HE SAID DICK GILBERT AND CHARLIE KNEW GROSS. PERLO EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT BERT WOULD HIRE GILBERT. PERLO WAS HESITANT TO ELABORATE INDICATING HE WOULD DO SO WHEN HE NEXT SAW JOE. ON JANUARY FOURTEEN ONE WILSON ____ CONTACTED DORIS PLENN WHO INDICATED ABEL PLENN MIGHT RETURN FROM NEW YORK WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY ALTHOUGH SHE EXPECTED HIM FRIDAY. WILSON REFERRED DORIS TO A MONITORED ARTICLE IN LOOK MAGAZINE IN WHICH AUTHOR "SAYS WHAT ABOUT SOMEBODY." ARTICLE IN QUESTION APPARENTLY IS ARTICLE ENTITLED "WHAT STALIN TELLS THE RUSSIANS ABOUT US" AND POINTS OUT LIES AND PROPAGANDA ITEMS IN DATA FURNISHED RUSSIAN PEOPLE. WILSON INDICATED HE HAD SOME IDEAS ON THIS SUBJECT. ON JANUARY FIFTEEN PLENN, NYC, CONTACTED WIFE STATING HE HAD CONFERENCE SCHEDULED WITH JOE GAER NEXT MORNING. INDICATED HE SPENT FOUR HOURS WITH MARIAN BACHRACH, ALSO THAT HE HAD SEEN MURIEL DRAPER. PLENN INDICATED HE THOUGHT THEY WERE GETTING DAVID'S APARTMENT. [redacted]

[redacted] ON JANUARY FOURTEEN GILLMANN CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER ASKING WHETHER THERE WAS ANYTHING NEW, "ANY MORE STRANGE GOINGS ON?" HELEN REPLIED NOTHING AND THEY DISCUSSED MAIL, MAGAZINE, AND

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PHOTOGRAPHS. IT DOES NOT APPEAR WHETHER ANY SIGNIFICANCE IS ATTACHED TO THIS INQUIRY. ON JANUARY FIFTEEN ULLMANN MENTIONED TO HELEN THAT BILL TAYLOR WAS COMING OVER. NOT CLEAR WHETHER TO OFFICE OR RESIDENCE. THEY DISCUSSED BOB MILLER AND HELEN STATED HE WAS LIKE FISH OUT OF WATER. SHE EXPRESSED WISH TO HELP BOB BUT FELT THIS WAS NOT PRACTICAL IDEA, POSSIBLY REFERRING TO EFFORTS OF MILLER TO ENGAGE IN SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTIES. ON JANUARY FIFTEEN WHITE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO DEPART WASHINGTON FOUR FORTY P.M. VIA RAILROAD FOR MIAMI WITH WIFE. INDICATED HE WOULD RETURN EARLY NEXT WEEK. INFORMATION AVAILABLE INDICATES SAMUEL WEISSBUCH, ATTORNEY, WILL MEET HIM IN MIAMI. NO LEAD BEING SET OUT TO COVER WHITE'S ACTIVITIES MIAMI HOTTEL OK

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: THE DIRECTOR DATE: 1-8-47

FROM: MR. EDW. A. TAMM

SUBJECT:

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I have ascertained from Bill Hutchinson "on a personal and confidential basis", that the story on the Soviet espionage ring operating in Washington, which he read to me by telep[redacted] was obtained completely and entirely from General Groves of the Manhattan Engineer District. General Groves furnished the facts and details to an INS reporter, explaining that he believed some publicity was desirable in connection with this case, although, of course, he should not be quoted because it would serve not only to expose the "Soviet Embassy" but would make the new atomic bomb commission more security conscious. Groves made some statement indicating that he was having some problem in making the new members of the commission security minded and that he believed an expose of the Soviet espionage case would serve this purpose.

I believe that Groves is trying to maintain his Manhattan Engineer District orgainization intact, since I have noticed that regardless of the Bureau's efforts to deal direct with the atomic power commission, everything is channeled through Colonel Banks of General Groves' staff. I have asked Mr. Ladd to draft a letter to Mr. Lilienthal, predicated upon the recent Detroit publicity relative to the manufacturing of the bomb there, and again endeavor, through this letter, to set up a channel of direct operation. I believe that Groves is trying to maintain his own empire, prestige and position and that he had in mind with this story placing emphasis upon his own security organization.

It is difficult to estimate the source from which General Groves has obtained his information about this case. You will recall that we have sent 3 copies of the last summary to the Department and that in addition copies were furnished to George Allen and to the State Department. Of course, it is possible that Groves' information came from the summary report distributed last spring but purely upon the basis of the timing of Groves' present release, it would appear probable that he has had access to the recently submitted report.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 1-7-47

FROM: MR. EDW. A. TAMM

SUBJECT: Gregory

Bill Hutchinson telephoned and stated that he had attempted to call me on Saturday but that I was out of my office for lunch and that he failed to call back. He stated that he wanted to check a story which he was still holding before releasing it. He then proceeded to read a rather lengthy story to the effect that high government officials were aware of an extensive Communist Party spy ring operating in the United States for the purpose of obtaining the atomic bomb secrets. The heart of the ring is in the nation's capitol. Top government sources indicate that the FBI is well aware of all of the facts in this case but that high-placed government officials stated that any elaboration upon the facts would have to come from John Edgar Hoover. The story then outlines the fact "that this Communist gang" is attempting to ferret out all of the secrets of the atomic bomb in the same manner that the recently exposed spy ring in Canada attempted to do the same thing there. High government sources, when asked whether the case was as large as the Canadian case, had advised that it was as much greater as the population of the United States is greater than Canada. The story then quoted General Groves as indicating that there had no doubt been some leaks in the atomic bomb secrets and that undoubtedly some of the espionage efforts must have been successful. A paragraph then follows about the new atomic bomb commission taking over the responsibilities held by General Groves, etc.

Mr. Hutchinson desired some comment or guidance or assurance about the facts in this story and I told him that I could not comment upon it. After checking with you, I called Mr. Hutchinson back, informed him that I had discussed the story with you, and that you advised me to suggest to him that probably he would not want to carry this story until he had cleared with the Attorney General. I told Mr. Hutchinson further that you stated the story sounded quite extreme and that all of the statements would not be supported by the facts.

Mr. Hutchinson expressed the opinion that he would not put this story on the wire, at least at this time.

Although I asked Mr. Hutchinson for the source of this story, he declined to furnish it. I am confident I will be able to find out in due course where he got it. There is no doubt that the story arises from our recent distribution of the two or three copies of the report on our investigation of the Gregory Case.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 1-13-47

FROM : MR. EDW. A. TAMM

SUBJECT: GREGORY CASE

For record purposes, it should be noted that on January 10th I contacted the Attorney General telephonically and informed him that the Bureau had received from Mr. Peyton Ford a list of 15 subjects in the Gregory case, with the request that we determine whether these subjects were still employed in the government agencies set forth in the summary report. I told the Attorney General you had instructed me to inform him that the Bureau would confine its determination of this employment to a review of its own files, since you considered it most undesirable at this time, in view of the very delicate situation created by the indiscreet telephone calls from the Department heretofore made, to make any check outside the Bureau. The Attorney General stated he agreed with your procedure.

I told him further you had instructed me to advise him that with the utmost reluctance you wanted to make the observation that it was a mistake to let Peyton Ford have a copy of this report. The Attorney General stated Mr. Ford no longer had a copy of this report and that he had personally taken up Ford's copy. He wanted you to know that he had desired to have the facts in the matter presented to him in as succinct a manner as possible and, accordingly, had given a copy of the report to Mr. Ford in order that it might be reviewed for him. He again explained that Mr. Ford no longer had a copy of this report.

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TO : Mr. J. C. Strickland

DATE: 1-8-47

FROM : Mr. F. L. Jones

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tam
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Nease
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Stanford
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

There is attached hereto a piece of paper containing the signature of Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, which was obtained from Mr. Leo Laughlin of War Assets Administration. It is believed that this specimen of Silvermaster's signature should be maintained in the Bureau's files.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R. (URSULA WASSERMAN). REMYTEL JANUARY THREE, FORTYSEVEN AND BUREAU TEL, JANUARY SEVENTH FORTYSEVEN. NYT THREE SIX NINE WAS INSTALLED MARCH TWELVE FORTYSIX AFTER IT WAS LEARNED THAT WASSERMAN WAS THE PARAMOUR OF JULES KORCHIEN, ASSOCIATE OF ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, SUBJECT IN THIS CASE, AND AFTER THE NAMES OF ARTHUR ADAMS, A KNOWN ESPIONAGE AGENT, AND THE NAMES OF OTHER ALLEGED SOVIET AGENTS WERE FOUND IN HER ADDRESS BOOK. SINCE THAT TIME, NYT THREE SIX NINE HAS FURNISHED CONSIDERABLE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO HER ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS, PARTICULARLY DURING THE VISITS TO NY OF MARY JANE AND PHILIP KEENEY, SUBJECTS IN THIS CASE. HOWEVER, NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED INDICATING THAT WASSERMAN HAS BEEN ACTING AS A SOVIET AGENT. APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS AGO, SHE SECURED A POSITION WITH UN AND SINCE THAT TIME NYT THREE SIX NINE HAS BEEN INACTIVE EXCEPT IN A FEW INSTANCES IN THE EVENING WHEN CALLS OF A SOCIAL NATURE WERE MADE. RECENTLY, WASSERMAN STATED THAT SHE WAS MOVING TO TEN DOWNING ST., WHERE SHE WILL RESIDE WITH KORCHIEN. BASED ON EVALUATION OF INFORMATION RECEIVED IN THE PAST AND THE INACTIVITY OF NYT THREE SIX NINE IN THE PAST SIXTY DAYS, IT IS FELT THAT CONTINUANCE OF THREE SIX NINE AT TEN DOWNING STREET IS NOT WARRANTED. THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER RECENT DEVELOPMENTS LOOKING TOWARD PROSECUTION WARRANTS CONTINUANCE IN VIEW OF ITS PRESENT UNPRODUCTIVITY FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THIS CASE.

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED [redacted] ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN, HISS CONTACTED WILLIAM L. MARBURY, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, APPARENTLY IN EFFORTS TO ASSIST IN PLACING JEWISH VETERAN FRIEND IN MEDICAL SCHOOL. HISS MENTIONED HE FINISHED AT STATE DEPARTMENT DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY AND PLANS COUPLE WEEKS REST BEFORE UNDERTAKING NEW POSITION. ON JANUARY NINETEEN HATHAWAY WATSON ADVISED HISS HE WAS TAKING HIS BOSS AND WELLINGTON KOO TO JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS, WHERE KOO WOULD GIVE SPEECH ON CHINA. HISS INDICATED HE WOULD BE MOVING TO NEW YORK AND WOULD HAVE TEMPORARY OFFICE AT FIVE TWO TWO FIFTH AVENUE, THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION, BUT WOULD HAVE TO SEEK PERMANENT SPACE. HISS INDICATED HE WAS LEAVING TOWN THE NEXT DAY FOR A WEEK OR SO. HE STATED HE THOUGHT HE WOULD BE LOOKING FOR A ROOM AND MIGHT WIND UP WITH HANK INGRAM, ONE OF BARUCH'S BOYS. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM UNRRA TO EFFECT JULIUS J. JOSEPH HAS RETURNED FROM LONDON DUE TO DEATH IN HIS FAMILY AND IS AT HOME ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA. ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN, KAPLAN CONTACTED FITZGERALD INVITING FITZGERALDS TO HIS HOME NEXT NIGHT AND STATING GUY NAMED RUTCHECK (ROGER), UNDERSECRETARY TO ELMER BENTON WHO IS BACK FROM TOKIO, WILL BE THERE AND HE IS INTERESTING. THEY DISCUSSED LATEST ISSUE OF NEW REPUBLIC MAGAZINE AND COMMENTS OF WALLACE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT. THEY CRITICIZED WALLACE'S ARTICLE BUT FELT WALLACE IS NOT DECEIVED BY EVENTS.

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FITZGERALD INDICATED IT IS CASE OF SELF SEDUCTION AS ALWAYS AND WALLACE BELIEVES BYRNES' AND BARUCH'S RESIGNATIONS CAME FROM HIS RAISING ISSUES. WITH REFERENCE TO RUTCHECK, DOROTHY KAPLAN INVITED KRAMERS AND PERAZICHES TO THEIR HOME TO MEET RUTCHECK.] ON JANUARY EIGHTEEN, PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE INDICATED GORDON MC INTIRE AND WIFE WERE GUESTS AT APARTMENT OF MARCUS GOLDMAN, SEVEN NAUGHT SEVEN TWENTIETH, N. W., APARTMENT TEN, THIRD FLOOR FRONT. MARY JANE KEENEY AND MC INTIRES OBSERVED LEAVING BUILDING TOGETHER APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT. ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN, MARY JANE ADVISED MRS. MUNOZ MARIN SHE HAD BOOKED HER UP SOLIDLY FOR TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR NURSERLY SCHOOLS IN MORNING AND WHITE AND NEGRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR AFTERNOON. ON JANUARY EIGHTEEN, BEN ALPER CONTACTED MARY JANE, WHO ADVISED HIM ANGUS KEENEY HAD MADE APPLICATION FOR HER PASSAGE TO JAPAN. ALPER MENTIONED CONTACTING HER FRIENDS URSULA WASSERMAN, DAN KEVIN, DAVE LEVITAN AND MIKE GREENBERGS. [

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[redacted] ON JANUARY SEVENTEEN, CLAYTON (SMITH), WIFE OF BOWEN SMITH, ADVISED MRS. JUST LUNNING THEY WILL BE OVER THAT EVENING. ON JANUARY EIGHTEEN, MRS. LUNNING ADVISED MRS. CAMERON (GERTRUDE CAMERON?) JUST LUNNING WAS IN NEW YORK FOR WEEKEND AND SHE DESIRED SOME COMPANY. MRS. CAMERON PROMISED TO VISIT HER. ON JANUARY NINETEEN, MILLER INFORMED HIS BROTHER, MITCHELL MILLER, BALTIMORE, THAT HE AND JENNIE WERE GOING TO NEW YORK MONDAY ON JOB HUNT AND WAS NOT CERTAIN WHEN HE WOULD RETURN, PROBABLY NOT UNTIL END OF WEEK. MITCHELL THANKED BOB FOR SENDING HIM THE ATOMIC BOOK WHICH HAD FUND OF INFORMATION OF INTEREST ALTHOUGH OF NO HELP IN PRACTICAL MATTERS. ON JANUARY EIGHTEEN, ABEL PLENN CONTACTED WIFE ADVISING HE HAD SEEN ALVAREZ DELVAYO, PHONETIC, (POSSIBLY DELGADO), WHO IS SAILING JANUARY NINETEEN. HE INDICATED BIG THINGS ARE COMING UP ON THE SPANISH THING AND STATED DELVAYO HAD CALLED KIRCHWAY (FRIEDA) AND SHE

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INDICATED SHE WOULD TURN THE MAGAZINE OVER TO THIS CAMPAIGN. HE STA... THEY WANTED TO MAKE REAL HISTORIC CASE OF THE HIRONDL (PHONETIC) CASE. PLENN STATED HE MUST TELL DORIS THE THINGS MURIEL DRAPER TOLD HIM AND DORIS INTERRUPTED TO CAUTION PLENN TO WAIT. ON AFTERNOON JANUARY EIGHTEEN, ROSENBERG ENDEAVORED TO LOCATE RUSSELL NIXON. HE CONVERSED WITH BRUCE WAYBUR AND INQUIRED IF JOHN ABT WAS IN TOWN ADMITTING HIS INQUIRY WAS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE HE IS WORKING ON (CARL MARZANI). ROSENBERG DEPARTED WASHINGTON VIA TRAIN SEVEN P.M., SATURDAY FOR NEW YORK CITY AND RETURNED WASHINGTON NINE TWENTY P. M., SUNDAY NIGHT. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER LOCATED MARZANI AT COMMODORE APARTMENTS APPARENTLY IN APARTMENT FRANK P. MANUEL, APARTMENT SEVEN NAUGHT TWO. ROSENBERG INDICATED HE HAD SEEN ALL THE PEOPLE HE SHOULD HAVE SEEN AND GOT SOME PRELIMINARY ANSWERS TO SOME OF THE QUESTIONS. HE MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARZANI TO VISIT HIM MONDAY MORNING APPROXIMATELY EIGHT THIRTY A. M. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ARRIVAL WASHINGTON ROSENBERG ADVISED WIFE HE STAYED WITH JESSE (PHONETIC) AND SAW NAT (WITT), JOHN (ABT), AND (LULIUS) EMPSPACK OF UNITED ELECTRIC WORKERS BUT DID NOT HAVE CHANCE TO SEE MAX.

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TITLE	CHARACTER OF CASE
GREGORY	ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

HELEN TARASOV born November 23, 1915 Toronto, Canada. Graduated Shaw High School, East Cleveland 1932; graduated Flora Stone Mather College for Women, Western Reserve University 1936. Employed as Economist, U. S. State Department 1945. HELEN TARASOV married HALLDEE L. REED February 18, 1946. Father, PETER P. TARASOV, has been employed by General Electric Company, Cleveland, since 1918. Naturalized 1927.

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Report of Special Agent JOSEPH C. TRAINOR, Charlotte, N.C. dated December 12, 1946.

Details: AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

The records of Shaw High School, East Cleveland, Ohio, reveal that HELEN TARASOV was born November 23, 1915 at Toronto, Canada, and graduated from Shaw High School in 1932. The records further indicated that her credits were transferred to Flora Stone Mather College for Women at Western Reserve University.

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The records at Western Reserve University indicated that HELEN TARASOV graduated from Flora Stone Mather College for Women in 1936 with an AB Degree. The records also indicated that her credits were forwarded to the following schools:

Fletcher School of Law
University of Chicago
Barnard College
Redcliff College for Women
Richard Shryock School of Social Science
University of California
George Washington University Graduate Dept.

The records failed to disclose which school Miss TARASOV attended.

It was noted while checking the academic record of Miss TARASOV that her IQ approached that of a genius. The records further indicated that as of January, 1945 she was employed as an Economist by the State Department in Washington, D.C.

The records at the Probate Court indicated that HELEN TARASOV, 1818 Hastings Avenue, East Cleveland, married HALIDEE L. REED on February 18, 1946 before the Justice of the Peace, W.J. ZOUL, at Cleveland, Ohio. The record indicated that neither of the parties to this marriage had been previously married. REED listed his age as 38; his residence as Canton, North Carolina, and his place of birth Georgia. His father's name was ROBERT F. REED and his mother's maiden name was TEXANNA ADERHOLD. HELEN TARASOV listed her age as 30; her residence as 1818 Hastings Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio; her place of birth as Toronto, Canada, and her occupation as an economist. Her father is PETER P. TARASOV and her mother CLAUDIA YUROVICH.

The records of the Cleveland Credit Association reflect that PETER P. TARASOV, 62 years of age, has been with the General Electric Company, Cleveland, Ohio, since 1918. No previous employment was listed. He has been in Cleveland since 1916 and was originally from Russia. The records indicated that he became a citizen of the United States in 1927. He has one son, LEO and a sister, HELEN, presently residing in Pennsylvania. The records do not reflect any information concerning HELEN TARASOV.

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A copy of this report is being forwarded to the Charlotte Field Division inasmuch as HELEN TARASOV is presently on the faculty of Asheville-Biltmore College, Asheville, North Carolina.

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Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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Addendum:

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LBN

LAMAR CAUDLE

This is outrageous. I spoke to A.G. about it & told him it looks like the enemy was the "leak" though possibly Caudle might be in on it.

It makes it all the more necessary for us to be most circumspect in our dealings with the enemy.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 1-22-47

FROM: Mr. Edw. A. Tamm

SUBJECT:

Pursuant to your instructions, I contacted Assistant Attorney General Lamar Caudle and advised him that I was calling at your request with reference to the desire of Mr. Caudle to be furnished with copies of the investigative reports in the Gregory Case. I told Mr. Caudle that the Bureau, as he knew, had furnished to the Department a copy of the summary report, and to the Criminal Division a copy of the informant's original signed statement and that shortly thereafter the United Press story had appeared which accurately related the background in this case and even accurately predicted what the Department's contemplated course of action was to be. Mr. Caudle was informed that in the light of this unfortunate publicity you were most reluctant to permit some fifteen thousand pages of confidential investigative reports to leave the Bureau particularly since you had already protested to the Attorney General about the recent leak in the Gregory Case through which the case was publicized by the United Press. Mr. Caudle was informed that the detailed investigative reports which he was requesting contained a considerable quantity of highly confidential information obtained from secret sources and by confidential techniqu and that you could not furnish this material to the Criminal Division with any reasonable feeling of assurance that the material would not be immediately publicized. It was pointed out to Mr. Caudle that the Bureau had handled this case for some fifteen months without any publicity but as soon as the reports were submitted to the Department particularly the Criminal Division, immediate publicity had ensued. It was pointed out to Caudle that you had been able last week to keep the International News Service from printing a story about the case but that now that the United Press had publicized the story the International News Service believed it had been double-crossed.

Mr. Caudle was profusely concerned. He stated he fully appreciated your position and he believed the stand which you were taking with reference to the reports was well-founded. He stated that your attitude in declining to furnish the reports at this time was perfectly agreeable to him. He expressed his great personal concern over the publicity which had ensued subsequent to the HANDLED furnishing of the summary to the Criminal Division. Mr. Caudle stat that to insure security in his own division he had allowed but one man to see the summary report, namely, James McInerney and that he, Caudle, had not even reviewed the report in detail. He stated that he is personally maintaining a completely "shut mouth" attitude with

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ference to this case although he is being pestered with press inquiries. Caudle stated he protested to Colonel McInerny last week against any predictions of additional arrests in the Mayent Case. Caudle reiterated his complete agreement with your declination to furnish copies of the reports to the Criminal Division. He stated that the Attorney General desired to hold a conference on this case wi a Bureau representative in attendance and I told him that the Bureau's representatibes would be available at any time, day or night, for a conference on the case.

EAT:DMG

Cc Mr Ladd.

If they would eliminate James Mc Inerney from the case I believe the leaks might stop.

If & when the Conference is called I want it stated that I will not permit Bureau to be represented if there are to be status reports given surreptitiously to the press as to the discussions & as to the Bureau's position.

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11:56AM MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LA DD

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Mr. Gus Vanech called to say that Mr. Edward H. Foley, Jr., assistant secretary of the Treasury, had spoken to him after the Commission meeting last night and advised him that when John Snyder had appeared before Congressman John Taber's Appropriations Committee the other day that the committee had started questioning Snyder as to what subversive people he might have in his Department.

Following the Appropriations Committee meeting, one of the members stopped Secretary Snyder and told him that, he, the committee member, "understood from the FBI that you've got some in there." Apparently the Treasury heads have been aroused by the Gregory Case, on which the Attorney General has asked them not to do anything, and they wanted Mr. Vanech to pass on to the Attorney General the comments by the committee members.

I told Mr. Vanech that the committee has received no word from us on this matter, as we had not appeared before the committee nor had any member of it been in contact with us. I also told him that I doubted that any Congressman would have made such a statement without having a basis for it, and further that I was dubious of Mr. Foley's interpretation of the statement.

Mr. Vanech then stated that the Treasury officials want to know if the Department is going to make a criminal prosecution in the Gregory Case as they apparently desire to take some action on the subversives in their Department and are seeking to determine what information we have on these people.

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I informed Mr. Vanech that I had written the Attorney General a memorandum elaborating my views as to what courses of action might be followed in the Gregory Case and that I had indicated to the Attorney General that I felt our only alternative, in view of the unfortunate publicity which had been given out by the Department, was to submit summary memorandums to the heads of the government agencies. I told Mr. Vanech that I was not going to permit disclosure of the source of this information or the identity of the informant.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc - Mr. Nease
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 15, 1947

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati

SUBJECT: GREGORY
VICTOR PERLO
ESPIONAGE (R)

There is attached hereto one copy of a letter directed to the Washington Field Office by the Los Angeles Office, dated January 7, 1947. This communication appears to be self-explanatory.

Attention is called to the last paragraph of the attachment wherein the Cincinnati Field Division was requested to check its indices concerning the STEITS family, particularly BETTY STEITS, and furnish any available information to the Washington Field Division.

This will advise that a check of the indices in Cincinnati reflects no identifiable data concerning BETTY STEITS.

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In view of the fact that the STEITS' apparently now reside in Yellow Springs, Ohio, it is pointed out that no investigative action will be taken concerning them unless this office is specifically requested to take such action by the Bureau or by the office of origin.

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VICTOR PERLO
ESPIONAGE - R
(Washington Field #100-17493)

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Reference is made to your letter, dated December 13, 1946, requesting this office to identify and furnish all available background information on BETTY STEITS, 453 East Highland Avenue, Redlands, California, who is a contact of VICTOR PERLO, subject in this case.

It was ascertained at the Redlands, California Post Office that on August 2, 1946 RAYMOND STEITS and family furnished a removal address from 453 East Highland Avenue, Redlands to Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Mrs. ESTHER MERTINS, Recorder, University of Redlands, Redlands, California, advised that Professor RAYMOND STEITS had been a visiting professor at the University of Redlands in Art and Humanities. He had been at the University for one year, from 1945 through the summer session of 1946 and had returned to Antioch College from where he had been on leave. Mrs. MERTINS stated that Professor STEITS had been writing a book, collaborating with DR. MORRIS, English Professor at the University of Redlands. She stated that he was a temperamental man, about forty years of age and she had never had any political discussions with him. She said she had never heard him make a statement which might be considered unpatriotic. She further advised that Professor STEITS had a daughter in her twenties, who work in the east, and had visited the Professor during Christmas, 1945. He also had a small daughter about four years old. Mrs. MERTINS stated she had met the Professor's present wife, which is his second wife, on several occasions but did not get to know her very well as she did not come around the University very much.

It was ascertained through DELLA ERICKSON, employee of the Bank of America in Redlands and who lives at 620 East Highland Avenue, which is the nearest house to 453 East Highland Avenue, that this is the address of ELMER W. PECK, who is a school teacher, and his wife, MARTHA. Miss ERICKSON did not know the STEITS family but stated that the PECK family was not available for interview when this investigation was conducted.

Numerous sources of information in Redlands were checked as well as the Police Department and Credit Bureau but no record of RAYMOND STEITS was located.

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Letter to SAC, Washington Field January 7, 1947

RE: GREGORY
VICTOR PERLO
ESPIONAGE - R
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Since the STEITS are from Antioch College originally and have returned there, the Cincinnati Field Division is requested to check its indices concerning them and furnish any available information to the Washington Field Division.

2 cc. Cincinnati

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GREGORY
ESPIONAGE - R
(Harry Samuel Magdoff; Victor Perlo)

In order to further substantiate certain statements furnished by confidential informant Gregory, certain information has been developed through a perusal of the records of the War Production Board concerning Harry Samuel Magdoff and Victor Perlo, both subjects in this case.

You will recall that Gregory stated that in early 1944, Earl Browder mentioned to Gregory that Jacob Goles had been contacting a group in Washington and had been unable to keep an appointment with them. Approximately two months later Browder informed Gregory that he had been able to make appropriate arrangements and directed Gregory to meet this group at John Abt's apartment in New York City. Gregory met Charles Kramer, Victor Perlo, Henry Magdoff and Edward Fitzgerald at Abt's apartment. At that time Perlo, Magdoff and Fitzgerald were working for the War Production Board.

An examination of the travel and leave records at the War Production Board failed to reflect any data which would indicate that Perlo, Magdoff or Fitzgerald were on leave or in an official business travel status which would afford them an opportunity to appear together in New York City during this pertinent period, namely "the early part of 1944." It will be recalled also that during this period the Government was operating on a six day week and in view of this it would be necessary for these individuals to travel to New York City either after working hours or on a Sunday in order to have such a meeting.

Gregory, in her statement, failed to be explicit as to the date, the time of day, or whether this meeting was held on a Sunday or on a week day.

Another item of interest found in the file of Magdoff at the War Production Board was a letter which was attached to Magdoff's application for sick leave for the period of January 10 to March 7, 1944. [redacted]

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Since Magdoff was operated on January 17, 1944, and was on sick leave until March 7, 1944, returning to work at the War Production Board on March 8, 1944, it might be assumed that Magdoff would not make a trip to New York until he had fully recovered from his operation and was prepared to return to work. Further, since it does not appear that the New York meeting was during a week day, it is highly possible that the meeting was held on Sunday.

It is recalled that Gregory stated when she met this group in New York City, that Magdoff had just returned from a period of six months hospitalization and expected to return to the War Production Board. She also stated she met these men approximately two months after early 1944.

Since Magdoff did not return to work until March 8, 1944, and was on sick leave for a considerable period prior to that date, it is possible that the meeting could have been held at any time between February 7 and March 8, 1944. It is also possible that the meeting was held Sunday, February 27, or Sunday, March 5, 1944.

It is desired that you immediately recontact informant Gregory in order to more definitely establish the date on which the meeting was held at John Abt's apartment in New York City, calling the above possibilities to her attention. It is believed that this corroborating factor is of the utmost importance in view of the possibilities of interviews in the near future with subjects in this case.

The New York Office should likewise review its file in connection with its investigation of John Abt in order to determine if there is any information contained therein which will assist in establishing the date that the meeting mentioned by Gregory was actually held.

It is desired that the New York Office advise the Bureau of the earliest possible date the results of its research and inquiry.

cc - Washington Field

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GREGORY, ESPIONAGE R. [redacted]

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SAME DATE BLAIR BOWLES CONTACTED MILLER WHO STATED HE HAD TALKED WITH OLYA MARGOLIN, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN. MILLER MENTIONED SHE IS ON "THIS ATOMIC DEAL" AND HAD MENTIONED ABOUT JOB OF DIRECTOR TO BOB SOME TIME AGO BUT HE HAD FORGOTTEN IT. BOB INDICATED SHE SAID SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN SOON AND WANTED HIM TO CALL ABOUT IT TODAY. BOWLES STATED HE WAS PUT ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITHOUT KNOWING IT AND THEY FINALLY GOT TO MEETING AND APPOINTED SUBCOMMITTEE TO FIND PROSPECT, SUBCOMMITTEE CONSISTING OF LAMB, CIO STEEL WORKERS, BIGLEY (PHONETIC), FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND McDONALD, NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION. BOWLES STATED HE WILL HAVE TO RESIGN BUT WOULD MAKE THEM FEEL BETTER BY SUGGESTING MILLER AND ASKED IF MILLER HAD LITTLE HISTORY OF HIMSELF. BOWLES STATED THEY NEEDED SOMEONE

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WITH WELL DEVELOPED SENSE OF HOW TO PRESENT INFORMATION TO PUBLIC THROUGH MEANS OF POPULAR APPEAL USING MOVIES, RADIO, ETC., AND FELT IT WAS AN EXCELLENT STEPPING STONE. THIS POSITION APPARENTLY IS WITH THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC INFORMATION HELD BY DANIEL KMELCHER. ON JANUARY TWENTY PLENN CONTACTED FRIEDA KIRCHWAY, NYC, CONCERNING LETTERS FROM THE SPANISH MOTHER IN ARANDE CASE (PHONETIC). PLENN INDICATED THE RELATIVES IN WISCONSIN WOULD NOT PERMIT PUBLISHING THE LETTERS AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE USED WITH THE NAMES CHANGED BECAUSE THEY FEAR MOTHER WOULD BE IMPRISONED IF ACTUAL NAMES ARE USED. KIRCHWAY WAS APPARENTLY UNFAMILIAR WITH THIS AND STATED SHE WOULD READ PLENN'S MATERIAL. ON JANUARY TWENTY REMINGTON INDICATED TO WIFE HE WAS GOING TO ATLANTIC CITY BUT WOULD RETURN SATURDAY NIGHT LATE. [redacted]

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